

Classroom and Curriculum Information

3C - Mrs. Zito



2023-2024

3C's Class List

Teacher: Mrs. Zito

Charlotte A.

Gabby B.

Jace B.

Madeline B.

Jamir B.

Eduardo C.

Maggie D.

Andres G.

Joyelle H.

Michael J.

Avery K.

Ty K.

Addison O.

Blake R.

Gia R.

Giuliana S.

Dylan S.

John S.

William S.

Mason T.

Mikey V.

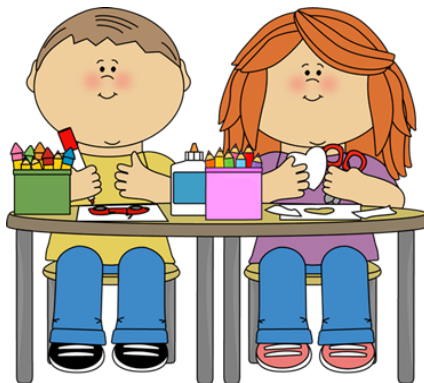


3C's Daily Schedule

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6
8:35-8:45	Morning Meeting	Morning Meeting	Morning Meeting	Morning Meeting	Morning Meeting	Morning Meeting
8:45-10:15	ELA	ELA	ELA	ELA	ELA	ELA
10:15 - 10:45	Media (Library Books)	PE	PE	Second Step	Media	PE
10:45-11:45	Small Group Time	Small Group Time	Small Group Time	Small Group Time	Small Group Time	Small Group Time
11:45-12:00	Math	Math	Math	Math	Math	Math
12:00-12:45	Lunch/Recess	Lunch/Recess	Lunch/Recess	Lunch/Recess	Lunch/Recess	Lunch/Recess
12:45-1:55	Math	Math	Math	Math	Math	Math
1:55 - 2:25	Music	None <small>(additional time for ELA, Math or Science/SS)</small>	Art	Art	PE	Music
2:25-3:15	Science/SS	Science/SS	Science/SS	Science/SS	Science/SS	Science/SS
3:15-3:25	Pack-Up/ Dismissal	Pack-Up/ Dismissal	Pack-Up/ Dismissal	Pack-Up/ Dismissal	Pack-Up/ Dismissal	Pack-Up/ Dismissal

****ELA consists of Shared Reading, Writing, Phonics, Grammar, and Read Aloud**

****Students will return and check-out library books on Day 1.**



Classroom Expectations

1. Treat others with kindness and respect
2. Follow directions quickly
3. Silence when attention is called
4. Focus your attention & Stay on task
5. Make smart choices

Golden Rule: Keep your eyes on the target!



Students are expected to follow the expectations listed above each day. After receiving a verbal warning, if an individual student is still struggling to follow the expectations, they will receive a "Fix It Ticket". This form will be sent home and will explain what happened and will also express how the student hopes to handle the situation differently going forward.

In addition to the "Fix It Ticket", the individual student will lose time from Fun Friday Recess (explained below) for not following the expectations.

The "Fix It Ticket" requires a signature of a parent/guardian and needs to be returned to Mrs. Zito the following day.

"Fun Friday Recess" Incentive



Each week, the class starts with 10 minutes of extra recess on Friday. If the class as a whole has an awesome week and follows the expectations listed above, they will receive the full 10 minutes of Fun Friday Recess.

If the class is struggling to follow the expectations, a minute will be taken off Fun Friday Recess each time learning has to be stopped during the week due to the expectations not being followed.

Important People to Know

3rd Grade Team

3A: Mrs. Nystedt

3B: Mrs. Hinds

3C: Mrs. Zito

3D: Mrs. Kos

3E: Ms. Hanley

3rd Grade Aide

Mrs. Vincolisi

Fine Arts Team

Art: Mrs. Adamitus

Music: Miss Capple

Media: Mrs. Mann

Medis Aide: Mrs. Bukala

P.E.: Mr. Schramm & Mrs. Stanish

Daily Homework & Grading Scale

Monday thru Thursday your child will have homework that will be due the next day. Students generally do not have homework over the weekend, with the exception of studying for a test if a test falls on Monday.

Your child will write their assignments in their planner each day. Please initial your child's planner each night to indicate that you have seen the work that is to be completed that evening.

Please note: I do not allow students to call home if they forget their homework at home. It is **their responsibility**, not their parents, to make sure they bring their homework back to school each day.

Parents can access student grades at any time through PowerSchool. Below is the grading scale used in Minooka District 201:

100 - 90 = A

89 - 80 = B

79 - 70 = C

69 - 60 = D

59 - below = F

Communication

Class Website - <http://zito3b.weebly.com>

The weekly newsletter will be posted each week on the home page of our class website. I will send parents an email every week once I post the newsletter. **Please note, I do not send home paper copies of the newsletter.**



Curriculum

English Language Arts (ELA)

Wit & Wisdom allows students to develop reading, writing, speaking, listening, vocabulary and language skills together at the same time. Rich and complex texts are used to build knowledge on important topics as students work towards mastering literacy skills. Students will write about their reading to demonstrate comprehension throughout the year. They will engage in narrative, informative/explanatory, and opinion writings to demonstrate their understanding.

Math

Eureka Math focuses on key concepts that are layered over time. The goal is for students to gain a complete body of math knowledge and not just a discrete set of skills. The same models and problem solving methods are used from grade to grade to provide consistency and deeper understanding throughout the years.

Science

The following topics will be covered:

- **From Molecules to Organisms:** life cycles of plants and animals
- **Biological Evolution:** animal/plant fossils, survival, and impact of environmental changes
- **Heredity:** traits inherited from parents and environmental influences
- **Ecosystems:** in particular habitats, some organisms survive well while others don't
- **Motion and Stability:** balanced & unbalanced forces, contact & non-contact forces, and motion
- **Earth Systems:** weather conditions, climate, and the impact of weather-related hazards

Social Studies

The following topics will be covered:

- **Civics:** communities, rules and laws, and democratic process
- **Geography:** landforms, regions and cultures, and global interconnections
- **Economics:** goods/services, trade, and banks/financial institutions
- **History:** how people and events have shaped communities over time



Contact Information

The best way to reach me is by email at kzito@min201.org. Please note, I do not always have time to check my email during the school day, so emails may not be seen until after class has dismissed for the day. I can also be reached by phone at 815-240-7400, ext. 4236 between the hours of 7:45 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.