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Hello **Third Grade** Parents!

 I am looking forward to working with your student in third grade this year at Alaiedon Elementary School. This will be my ninth year working as a teacher in Mason Public Schools. In 2009, I graduated from Michigan State University with a Bachelor’s degree in Elementary Education. In 2010, I completed my internship year in a second grade classroom under a master teacher. Later, I worked as a Literacy Interventionist in Williamston. I was able to return to Michigan State University to continue my education.

 We will have 25 children in our classroom community. Please feel free to contact me and talk about any concerns. We can work together to make this a year of growth and enjoyment.

 Our school year will begin online. Each child will need a computer to learn and interact with the class. If your child needs a chromebook please contact Mason Public Schools IT department at itservicerequest@masonk12.net. Your child may wish to use headphones as they learn on the computer. Headphones can block out background noise and help your child stay focused.

 I know the first week of school will be a week of adjustments as the students return to a school schedule. I would expect that they would be tired at first and then adapt to this new lifestyle. Third grade is unique because students will be becoming more independent learners as the year progresses and be reading to learn (instead of learning to read.)

 We will have Summer Souvenir sharing at the beginning of the school year. Your child can show something that represents a special time this summer to share with the class.

 I am looking forward to meeting you and working with your child this year. Great things are possible in third grade!

 Sincerely,

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