



Dear Third Grader,

Welcome to the Greenhouse and Malletts Bay School! It was great to meet you at Fly-Up Day and I can't wait to begin our year together. I have been so busy getting our classroom ready for the beginning of the school year. I am so excited for you to see it! Malletts Bay School is a great place to learn. You are going to love it here!

This year will be full of new learning, new friends, and lots of fun. You will learn about Colchester and mapping, magnets, ecosystems, Native Americans, cursive, multiplication and division. We read a lot at school and I hope you will discover some great books and authors throughout the year. Technology will be used often for reading, writing, math, and research.

I will have most of the supplies that you will need for the year, including pencils, pens, markers, crayons, highlighters, colored pencils, erasers, etc. so no need to bring them! There are a few things I would like for you to get and bring on the first day of school if possible.

School supplies to bring:

- One pair of durable headphones/earbuds
- One black and white composition notebook (**wide-ruled**, this will be covered with pictures)
- One 2-pocket folder of your choice (which will be used for spelling)

I also encourage you to bring a water bottle with a closable spout. Students are encouraged to drink water throughout the day. It can go home every day to be washed or it can stay at school and go home on Fridays. We will also have a healthy morning and afternoon snack, and breakfast can be ordered for our morning snack time.

Enjoy the rest of your summer. It is passing by quickly! I hope you will be able to attend Smart Start in August! My email is emily.mckelvey@colchestersd.org if you would like to get in touch with me. I would love to hear from you or your family. See you soon!

Your Third Grade Teacher,
Ms. McKelvey