Dear Third Grader,

Welcome to third grade! My name is Katie Longstreth, and I am going to be your teacher next year! I am looking forward to helping you learn, grow, make friends, and have fun.

Let me tell you a little bit about myself! Next year will be my fifteenth year teaching at CSS and my sixth teaching third grade. I have a husband, Scott, and two daughters, Libby and Alice, who are 10 and 7. We also have a fluffy orange cat named Bill Murray. I like to read, cross stitch, and play with my family. My favorite foods are french fries, broccoli, and cake (but it has to be gluten free because I have celiac disease). My favorite thing about teaching is helping students find answers to their questions and watching them discover they can do something.

Third grade is a really fun year full of lots of new things. One of the biggest things is that you will get to have *both* third grade teachers for part of the day. I will be your "homeroom" teacher, and we will do reading, class meetings, and storyline together, but you will get to have Allison (the other third grade teacher) for math! We have been teaching third grade this way for many years and we really like getting to know all the third graders.

When we return to school in the fall, we will spend time getting to know each other and building our new class community. We will take time to remember what it's like to be in school with our friends. I am sure we get back into the swing of things quickly!

I hope you have a great, fun summer and I will see you on August 30th!

Sincerely, Katie Longstreth Room 9

P.S. for Grown Ups: 3rd grade asks for a \$25 supply fee for the year. We bulk buy classroom supplies and are able to purchase extras, like storyline supplies, with this fee. You can pay using this site: <a href="https://pps.schoolpay.com/link/Supplies-Katie">https://pps.schoolpay.com/link/Supplies-Katie</a> Thank you!