

Dear Third Grade Families,

We are so excited to have you join us this year. This summer you will be asked to read two realistic fiction stories. This means that the story isn't true, but it could be similar to an experience that happens in real life. The stories are *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing* by Judy Bloom and *The Year of the Book* by Andrea Cheng.

When you have finished reading both books you are going to pick your favorite to complete an activity about. You will be writing information and drawing pictures on a template that we will turn into a larger project once we return to school. Please make sure you read the directions for the project carefully before starting each step. Be sure to write neatly and use your best drawing and coloring skills!

We can't wait to see all of your hard work when you return to school!

Best,

Mrs. Staley, Miss Dunlop, and Miss McTigue