



WYLIE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

We are writing to welcome students, both "old" and "new", to our multiage classroom. We can't wait to meet our new third graders, and look forward to seeing the familiar faces of our newly minted fourth graders!

Our new students may feel anxious and unsure as they think about being in class with "bigger" kids. We want to assure both students and parents that the third graders will be welcomed warmly, and the fourth graders look forward to their roles' as mentors. We will dedicate a great deal of time at the start of the school year building a classroom community where all of our students can participate and experience success. The upcoming school year promises opportunities and challenges for all of the members of our multiage learning community!

There are a couple of things families may want to do before the first day of school. We have a web site that we'd like you to check out. You can find us through the DCS website, or go to:

<http://teacherweb.com/MI/WylieElementary/MsBlackandMrSmith/>

Since it is a long address, most families type it in once and then bookmark it or file it under their Favorites. Take a few minutes to explore, and we believe you'll find answers to a number of questions you might have.

Third grade students who would like to meet either Ms. Black or Mr. Smith are invited for a brief "Meet and Greet" on Thursday, September 3. Stop by any time between 5:30 and 6:30. Our classrooms will be set up and children will be able to get a look at their new "digs".

As for supplies, we provide everything the children will need for school, but many students like to have some or all of the following items:

**a pencil box, a glue stick, a pair of scissors, pack of crayons or colored pencils,
several #2 pencils, a container of Lysol-type disinfecting wipes for desktop cleaning**

Some items we ask that children **not** bring include binders (we provide one to every child) and oversized pencil boxes as there is not room in students' desks for such items

Enjoy these last few days of summer, and we'll see you on September 8!

Sincerely,

Narda Black and Peter Smith