

# Back to School Night

**August 29, 2023**

**Mrs. Martinez**

**3rd Grade**



# Meet the Teacher

\*I have taught in Pomona Unified for over 34 years.

\*K-3rd grade experience

\*Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from UC Irvine

\*Master's Degree in Education & Teaching Credential from Claremont Graduate University

\*I am married, and have two college-aged children.

\*I can't imagine being anywhere but in a classroom full of kids! I LOVE what I do!

hi



# Daily Schedule

8:05 - 8:15	Check In & Morning Meeting
8:15 - 9:00	English Language Development & Language Arts Rotations
9:00 - 10:00	Language Arts
10:00 - 10:15	Recess
10:15 - 10:35	Independent Reading/AR Quizzes
10:35 - 11:55	Math & Centers
11:55 - 12:35	Lunch & Recess
12:35 - 12:50	Teacher Read Aloud
12:50 - 1:30	Social Studies/Science/Health/Computer Science
1:30 - 2:00	Art/Penmanship/Writing/Catch-up
2:00 - 2:26	Physical Education (no PE on Wed.~1:25 dismissal)

**SCHEDULE**

\*Subject to change as new information is given from the Principal/District.



# Special Days

**Mondays:** Music Class

**Wednesdays:** Library & Minimum Days (1:25 dismissal)

**Fridays:** Late Start (9:00)

# PBIS

\*Explicit behavior expectations are taught at different areas around the school: classroom, playground, restroom, cafeteria, etc.

\*PAWS tickets are issued when kids are following the expectations. Tickets can be pulled for fun prizes, spent from the PBIS Store, or saved (25) for quarterly events

\*VERY positive approach to discipline. I give many verbal warnings and redirect behavior throughout the day. I will contact you via Remind if I need your assistance.



# Homework, Tests, Grading

**Homework:** I will be checking that every homework assignment is complete. Homework is due the next day. Please check *GOOGLE CLASSROOM* or *Agenda M-Th*.

**Tests:** In 3rd grade, we have tests in most subjects. If your child is completing the daily homework, it will help him/her do better on tests.

**Report Card:** 4, 3, 2, 1 scores are used instead of letter grades. 4, 3 = on level 2, 1 = below grade level



# Home Learning Environment

- \*Distraction free (no tv, music, or video games on)
- \*Quiet location if possible
- \*Table top is best for daily work.
- \*No food or drinks near chromebook.
- \*Paper, pencils, 3rd grade supplies nearby
- \*Charge chromebook every evening
- \*Please check your child's work, assisting as needed.

HOME  
LEARNING



# Google Classroom

GOOGLE  
CLASSROOM



I will be using Google Classroom for Homework. Your children have all joined my classroom. Please check daily for updates and homework (M-Th).

Let's take a peek:

<https://classroom.google.com/u/0/c/Mzc0NjE3MzEyMTE0>





## Clever Log in

Our school district uses Clever to house most of the learning links for our kids. We use them during school, and will sometimes access them for homework. I will let you know which ones to log on to in our Google Classroom. I can closely monitor how many minutes the students are on the different links, so please make sure to do the assigned amount of time. (Going over the amount of time is ok.)

Let's take a peek: <https://clever.com/in/mypusd/teacher>

**CLEVER**



## Accelerated Reader (AR)

- \*Every student has an AR Goal for the quarter, which was sent home a few weeks ago.
- \*I have hundreds of leveled books for kids to use at school. They will also be checking out library books.
- \*The kids may quiz after reading a book in their level.
- \*They are given class time every day to read/quiz.
- \*85% or higher is goal for comprehension.
- \*End of Quarter 1 is Oct. 13th.

READING  
IS FUN!



## **Chromebook Care Reminders**

- \*Please, no food/drinks are allowed near chromebook.
- \*Clean hands before/after using chromebook at home.
- \*Stickers are not permitted.
- \*Please do not pull bar code off.
- \*Cases are required. Chargers stay at home until end of year.
- \*Insurance is recommended: Only \$35 for year. Replacing chromebook without insurance is \$315, so insurance is best. You must enroll within 30 days of school...Sept. 30th is final day.
- \*Report damage immediately to me/office.

# Assessments: Classroom/District/State

**Classroom:** Math tests, fact fluency tests, writing samples, reading fluency, informal observations, and other curricular areas.

**District Assessments:** We take them throughout the year. They are used for Diagnostic purposes, so that I can adjust my instruction to meet their needs. Example: STAR Test, Achieve 3000, iReady, District Benchmark tests.

**State Testing:** Taken in Spring (April) for all students in grades 3-6. The best way to prepare is by showing up to school daily (unless ill), and doing the classwork and homework to the best of your ability.



## Tips for Success

\*8-10 hours of sleep per night is crucial for learning to “stick.”

\*Attendance matters! Tardies impact learning, as well as learning of classmates. Please avoid appointments during the school day, and avoid checking your child out early.

\*Check that your child is charging the chromebook every evening, and packing it in backpack for school each morning.

\*Unless emergency, avoid office drop offs for items.



# Parent Conferences

**October 19 – 27:** Parent Conferences/Progress Reports—sign up on back table for an appointment, please.

**December 21:** End of Semester 1. Report cards will be provided for you in the beginning of January.

**March 14– 22:** Parent Conferences/Progress Reports

**May:** End of year report cards will be sent home.



# Communication

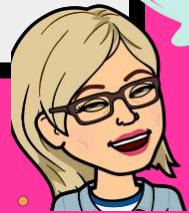
Feel free to email me:

[carol.v.martinez@pusd.org](mailto:carol.v.martinez@pusd.org)

I will also use the **Remind** app to communicate with you this year. Remind hours are from **7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** If you are messaging me, can you please reference your child's name since sometimes last names are different. Thank you!

Messages sent during class are not always noticed because I'm teaching/helping kids. I will do my best to return messages after school.

LETS TALK



**Thank you for your  
attendance this evening!**

