



# 3C News - August

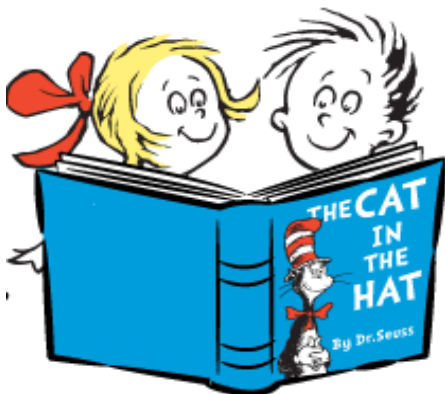


## Welcome Back!

I am so excited about our year together. We are going to learn so much! 3C is going to be a hoot! I would like to start off by telling you a little about myself. My name is Chris Krutsinger. I am married to Joe Krutsinger and we have two daughters, Kelsey and Allie. We live here in Flora. Kelsey is working here in our building this year! Allie is starting her senior year of high school. My husband and I both have family from here, and we love our community. I look forward to our journey together. Since I have two children of my own, I know that you are trusting me with your most sacred treasure, and I feel honored to be your child's teacher.

## Accelerated Readers

Your student will be encouraged to read AR every day. Please encourage your child to read when they can because strong reading skills help students in all content areas. I will be setting goals for your students. Please just encourage them to read and strive to meet their goals.



## Integrating Technology

This year, we will be working with a series called Into Reading. With this series, an online platform called Discovery Ed is available. Our math series, Go Math, also has an online platform called Think Central. Having the online platform makes it easy to post lessons in google classroom. We will continue to utilize google classroom, as well as many other learning options this year.

## PBIS

Most of you probably know about PBIS because your child is in third grade. If you are new to our school, we focus on rewarding positive behavior here at FES. Students can earn tokens for making wise choices. The tokens can be used to purchase goodies from our PBIS store. In our class, everyone starts the day "you can steer yourself whichever direction you choose", if a student stays here all day they will receive 1 token. A student can have his/her clip moved up to "oh, the places you're going" when the teacher notices a positive behavior. This will result in 2 tokens at the end of the day. A student that continues to make great choices can have his/her clip moved to "today is your day" which results in earning 3 tokens. Students have the chance to earn up to 5 tokens per day by making good choices, and showing responsibility with their agenda book (discussed later in this newsletter). These tokens can be used to purchase items from our school store. However, all of us make mistakes at times, so if a student is caught making a poor choice his/her clip will be moved. On the first offense, the student's clip will be moved to "think left and think right", this is just a warning. On the second offense, the clip will be moved to "it's fun to have fun, but you have to know how". This could mean sitting recess, or if a child is extremely active it could mean walking laps around the playground while the other students play. On the third offense in a day, I will notify the parents/guardians.



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## Agenda Books

Everyday your student will write down everything that he/she worked on in each subject that day. This will give you a chance to see everything your student is working on. At the end of the day, I will circle any assignment that your student didn't finish during class time. Your student will need to complete any circled assignments at home. I ask that you sign your student's agenda book every evening so I know you are checking for homework. If your student returns the next day with a signed agenda book, he/she will receive a Starburst.

## Homework

I really hope that your student will never have homework. I am a firm believer that the student should be completing work at school, so I can offer support if needed. We are all busy, and I hope that you aren't spending all of your time with your child completing homework. Please be sure to check their agenda books and his/her homework folders. Any unfinished assignments will be circled. We will have Spelling and Vocab tests also. The words will be sent home on Monday and tests are given on Friday. It would be very beneficial to your child to spend just 10 minutes a night reviewing these words. On vocabulary tests, your student will need to know the definition of each word and be able to put the word into the correct sentence.

## Transportation

If your student will be going home from school a different way than usual, please send a note or call the school. As a courtesy to our school staff, please call before 2pm. This will help to keep transportation smooth and make sure your child is safe. Due to recent Covid19 guidelines, a student may not ride the bus home with another student.

## Grades

Your student will be receiving letter grades in all subjects except physical education, art, and music. In these subjects and E, M, BL (exceeds, meets, below) will be assigned. These grades are assigned by the physical education, art, and music teachers. In Science and Social Studies, your student will be receiving a semester grade instead of a quarterly grade.

