

## Expectations for Rising Third Graders

In third grade, we base our expectations on our school-wide expectations to S.W.I.M.

S- Be safe

W- Work hard

I-Improve and Inspire

M- Make good choices

In addition, we will evaluate students on the following Character & Social Development Skills each quarter. Notice the St. Johns County *Character Counts* pillars embedded.

- Accepts **responsibility** for own behavior
- Attempts to solve problems individually before asking for help
- Completes assignments responsibly
- Demonstrates a **caring** attitude
- Demonstrates **trustworthiness**
- Expresses emotions and feelings appropriately
- Follows class and school rules/**citizenship**
- Listens attentively and follows directions
- Practices self control
- Produces quality work
- Respects school property
- Shows **respect** for others
- Uses time wisely
- Works well in group activities/**fairness**

### **Academic Expectations**

In third grade many new skills and concepts are introduced, such as multiplication and division, cursive writing, and lengthy writing compositions. Previously introduced concepts are further developed that require a strong foundation of primary skills. In addition, students also transition to reading chapter books if they have not already done so. FAST State testing for reading and math is given on a different platform starting in third grade.