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Dear Students and Parents,

I am pleased to tell you that we will be continuing to use the Web site called IXL inside and outside our classroom this school year. IXL is a comprehensive math practice site with an unlimited number of math practice questions in hundreds of skills. One of the best things about IXL is that your child can access it from home, so you have a chance to see your child's progress!

To get your child started on your home computer or even at the local public library, please follow these easy steps:

1. Go to www.IXL.com.
2. Enter your child's username and password in the top right-hand corner and click *Sign in*.
(Notes: The username and password are case sensitive.)**

Username _____

Password _____

3. Navigate to your child's grade level (grade 3).
4. Find a skill to practice by doing one of the following:
 - Select a specific skill to practice from the grade level homepage. This page is organized into categories. You can place your mouse over any skill to see a sample question and click on the link to begin. Or
 - Click on the *Awards* tab. Each grade level has an embedded game board with challenges for your child to conquer and virtual prizes to be uncovered. Place your mouse over any challenge to begin.

In addition to making math practice exciting, IXL is designed to help your child learn at their own pace. The Web site is adaptive and will adjust to your child's demonstrated ability level. The site also records all of your child's results, so you can monitor your child's progress anytime by clicking on the *Reports* tab.

*****Please note: Any skills completed before the start of the summer (June 18, 2010) will not be counted as summer work!**

I hope you'll encourage your son or daughter to use IXL daily. Here's to working together to make math fun for your child!

Sincerely,



SUMMER WORK REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INCOMING THIRD GRADE

You are to complete ***at least 10 problems*** in a skill of ***your choice*** from ***each*** of the following categories:

- Counting and number patterns
- Place values
- Comparing and Ordering
- Estimation and Rounding
- Names of Numbers
- Patterns
- Logical Reasoning
- Money
- Addition - one digit
- Subtraction - one digit
- Addition - two digits
- Subtraction - two digits
- Addition - three digits
- Subtraction - three digits
- Time
- Measurement
- Data and graphs
- Fractions
- Properties
- Mixed operations

Try to complete one skill set per day and you will be finished before you know it!! Please feel free to complete any additional categories or more skills within the categories listed above.

REQUIRED:

When you return to school, you will need to provide a printed report as a sign of your summer work being completed.

- Choose the “**REPORTS**” tab along the top.
- Choose the “**VIEW SKILLS PRACTICE REPORT**” in the center of the screen
- Select “**PRACTICED ONLY**” next to Skills (lower left of screen)
- then choose “**PRINTABLE REPORT**” and **Print this report to turn in**
- **THE PRINTABLE REPORT IS DUE FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2010**
(Late reports will result in lower grades.)

