



## **3RD GRADE PARENTS**

# **SURVIVAL GUIDE**

- Limit chaos in the mornings. You want it to be drama free so that your child starts school with a calm spirit. Even if you aren't a morning person, force yourself to get up early and start the day right.
- Take the time to read everything that is sent home from school. When your child isn't prepared, it causes him or her to feel stress.
- Be careful with the amount of time spent on TV and video games.
- Develop relationships with other parents so that you can call with questions and form study groups.
- Use the time in the car to discuss what your child is learning in class. Listening to music is more fun, and you may have things to think about, but getting your child in the habit of sharing the knowledge he is learning in the classroom will help him greatly in the long run.
- Review all homework assignments...do not DO all homework assignments.
- Go to school events where parents can participate - plays, special events, PTA activities, Gallant Gator Reader.
- Give your child "surprise" encouragements, like a small note in their lunch box or agenda that only they will see or know what it means.
- If your child is learning an educational song, you learn it too and rock out on the way to school!