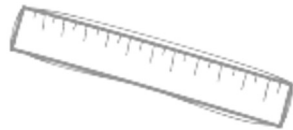


welcome to

third grade!



# Meet the

# teacher



My name is Katie Ball. I graduated from the University of Alabama with a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education in 2011. I graduated with my master's degree in Elementary Education at the University of West Alabama in December 2022. This is my eighth year in education. I love reading, gardening, catching little critters, and spending time with my family.. My husband, Blake, is a history professor at Huntingdon College. We have three daughters – Maleah (10), Macey (7), and Maddie (4). We also have a dog named Logan, a cat named Daphne, and a turtle named Flash (who will come live at school!).

### My Favorites:

**Color:** Turquoise/Teal

**Drinks:** Coffee and Cherry Coke

**Candy:** Salted dark chocolate

**Snack:** Extra cheesy Cheeze-its, salt & vinegar chips

**Stores:** Target & TJMaxx

**Restaurants:** Chick-fil-A, Elliano's, and Moe's

# Meet the

# teacher

My name is Hannah Lovvorn. I graduated from Jacksonville State University in May of 2020 with a bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Elementary Education. I graduated with my master's degree in Elementary Education at the University of West Alabama in 2022. I love traveling, being outdoors, spending time with my family, and shopping. I am recently married to my best friend, Justin. We have a dog named King and a bunny named Coco. This will be my fourth-year teaching, and I will be teaching Math, Science, and Social Studies.

### My Favorites:

**Color:** Purple or teal

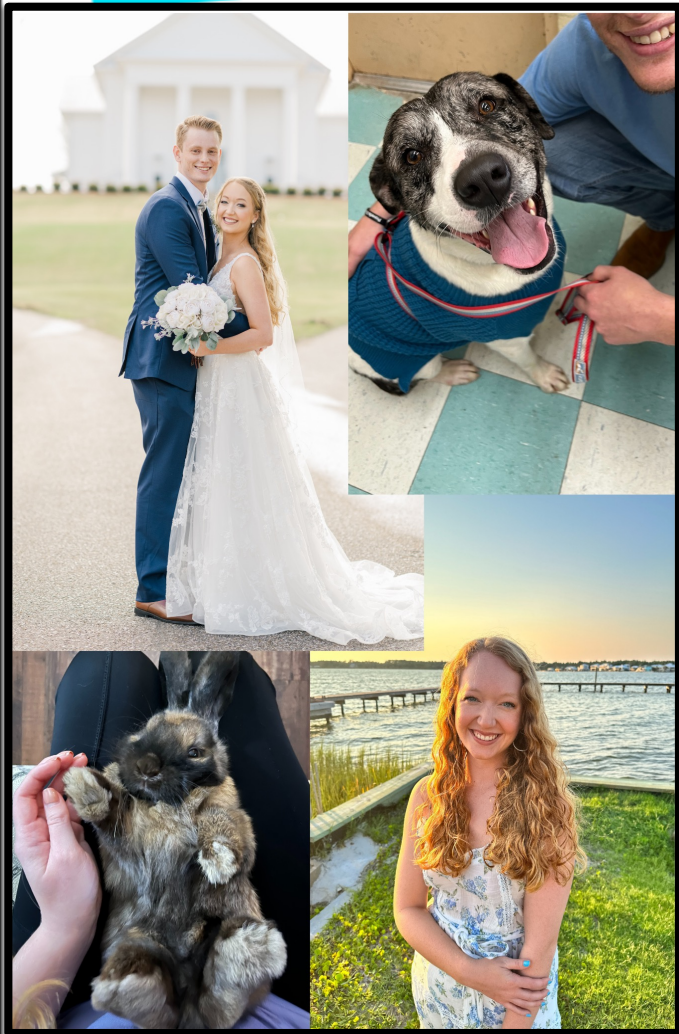
**Drinks:** COFFEE or Cherry Vanilla Coke

**Candy:** Dark Chocolate

**Snack:** Dill Pickle Chips and Dots Pretzels

**Stores:** TJMaxx and Target

**Restaurants:** Chickfila, Zaxbys, and Ellianos



# all about



# arrival

- School doors open at 7:15.
- Morning Supervision: 7:15 – 7:45
- School begins at 8:00.
- Students purchasing snack will do so as they arrive, before going to class.
- Students may eat breakfast before 8:00.

# all about



# dismissal

Dismissal procedures will be provided during your child's orientation.

- All transportation changes must be submitted in writing.
- Please make sure your child knows how they will get home starting on the first day of school. (walker, car rider, 1st load bus, 2nd load bus, daycare, YMCA)
- Carpool tags are mandatory.

# Grading Policy

Progress Reports and Report Cards will be sent home with students throughout the year. Parents can monitor their child's progress from home, free of charge, using PowerSchool.

## Language

60 % Major Grades (includes writing pieces and grammar assessments)

40 % Minor Grades (includes spelling, DLR quizzes, and skills sheets)

## Reading

60 % Major Grades (includes reading comprehension tests and unit tests)

40 % Minor Grades (vocabulary practice and skills practice)

## Math

60% Major (includes topic tests and projects)

40% Minor (includes DMR tests, skills sheets, and timed tests)

## Science & Social Studies

60 % Major (includes assessments and projects)

40% Minor (includes skill sheets and daily papers)

# policy for

# homework

- **WEEKLY:** Each week students will need to study spelling words and vocabulary words. Testing is on Thursday and Friday. Use the Unit Spelling List that is located in your child's binder to help practice the words at home.
- **WEDNESDAY:** Study vocabulary words. Quiz on Thursday.
- **THURSDAY:** Study spelling words.
- **AS NEEDED:** Study for tests and quizzes.

# policy for

# homework

- **Weekly:** Students will need to get to a green light on Reflex Math three times by Friday. Students can access Reflex Math from home, but will also be given opportunities in class to reach their green lights. This online tool helps students with math fact fluency in addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.
- **Thursday:** Each week, students will complete a Daily Math Review (DMR) for their morning work. There will be a DMR quiz every Friday to assess their understanding on that week's skills. Students will highlight questions on their DMR each Thursday and take it home to practice. They will return this on Friday with a parent signature.
- **As needed:** Study for quizzes and tests. Study guides will be given for all major tests.



# classroom

# behavior

- Our main form of communication is Parent Square. This app will be used for behavior, communication, and reminders.
- The Class point system is used to create a POSITIVE classroom environment and to encourage your child to exhibit positive behavior throughout the day.
- Please understand that negative behaviors impede the learning of others, especially your child, and we want to make this system as fair as possible for everyone.
- This system has been agreed upon by the teachers and administration, and it will be fully enforced beginning the first day of school.

# celebrating

# birthdays

We would love to celebrate your child's birthday! Feel free to bring in any treats for the class. Please check with me for any allergies and our class size, as our numbers change throughout the year. Please only send party invitations, if our whole class is invited...we're all friends in 3rd grade!



# important

# dates

- Aug. 9-First Day of School
- Sept. 4-Labor Day Holiday
- Oct. 9- Fall Break
- Nov. 10-Veteran's Day Holiday
- Nov. 20-24-Thanksgiving
- Dec. 19-Jan. 3-Christmas Holidays
- Jan. 4-School Resumes
- Jan. 15-MLK Holiday
- Feb. 19-President's Day
- March 25- Mar. 29- Spring Break
- Apr. 19-Weather Day
- May 23- Last Day of School

# helpful

# resources

Any helpful resources can be found on Mrs. Ball's and Mrs. Pouncey's teacher page on the school website. The links to our website can be found below.

**Mrs. Lovvorn:**

<https://www.dpeseagles.com/hannahpouncey>

**Mrs. Ball:**

<https://www.dpeseagles.com/katieball>

# additional

# information

## Snack

Snacks can be purchased in the Snack Shack or sent in from home. It is vitally important to send snack money in a labeled envelope. Snacks must be purchased in the Snack Shack from 7:45-8:10. No carbonated drinks or candy. 😊

## Front Parking Lot

This is where carpool will be picked up and dropped off.

## Fidget Items

Please do not let children bring fidget poppers, spinners, etc. to school. This is in the Student Handbook.

## Mrs. Finch's Sunday Call-Out

In order to receive Mrs. Finch's Sunday call-out message, the telephone number in PowerSchool must be correct.



# additional

# information

- Binders, pencil pouches, crayons, glue, and scissors will be provided on the first day of school. The remaining supplies on the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade supply list should be sent in on the first day.
- Binders should be brought home each night and returned to school each day. Homework calendars will be provided for students and kept in their binders. This should be checked every Monday.
- **IMPORTANT:** All excuses and transportation changes must be hand written and turned in to us in the morning.



# contact

# information

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Website: <https://www.dpeseagles.com>

We are looking forward to a GREAT year!