

Blue Folders

Your child will bring home a blue folder each night. All school and classroom information, homework, and notes will be transported using this tool. It is very important that you take out and review all papers daily. Please check it each night and return the folder to school the next school day.

Homework

Your child will have reading homework almost every night. He/she will also receive a homework packet each Monday and will need to return the packet by the next Monday. Please plan to incorporate a special time for you and your first grader to work on homework as a part of your nightly routine. I do understand that your schedule may be busy. If you are unable to complete an assignment, just return it to school as soon as you can. There is no penalty for work not returned.

Behavior

It is very important that your child comes to school ready to learn. In our classroom we have four rules: follow directions quickly, raise your hand to speak, make smart choices, and be kind. When the class follows these rules, they earn stars toward a special reward or privilege. We will also hold students accountable for their own behavior. If we notice patterns of good choices or poor choices, we will communicate with you through a note home to make you aware and for you to use as a discussion topic with your child.

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Keeping in Touch

I couldn't do what I do at school without your support at home. If a question, concern, funny story, or happy thought pop into your mind at any point throughout the year, please contact me. The best way to reach me is through e-mail. I am also able to take phone calls during special's time, before school, and after school. To keep you informed of your child's learning and progress, I will post weekly updates on the blog, send home notes, e-mail, and call as needed. Tri-monthly academic and behavioral reports for each child will be e-mailed to you beginning at the end of September.

Welcome
to
**FIRST
GRADE**

Mrs. Stadt's Class

2018-2019



**HELPFUL
HINTS**

Welcome to First Grade

Hello, welcome to the wonderful world of first grade!!! Now that summer is drawing to a close, you may have some questions about what to expect this year. This brochure is a brief compilation of our policies and procedures. More information about every topic included in this pamphlet (plus more) can be found on the "First Grade Information" page of our blog. As you read over this information please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions! I am looking forward to a extraordinary year!!!

Change in Transportation

In order for your child to have a change in transportation for a specific day, we must receive WRITTEN PERMISSION for the safety of your child. Please e-mail me or call the office prior to 3:00pm for last minute changes in transportation. If a note, e-mail, or phone call from you are not provided, your child will use their normal form of transportation.

Birthdays

Birthdays are a special occasion in our classroom! Your child will be celebrated with songs, compliments, and a class book on their special day. If you choose, your child may also bring in a small gift to share. These gifts must be non-food items due to students with allergies and health concerns. Dollar store trinkets are great options!

Lunch

Our lunch takes place each day from 12:05 to 12:25. Your child may bring a lunch from home or he or she can order from school. Lunch choices are made first thing in the morning. Please talk to your child about the lunch they will have that day, so he or she knows what choice to make. This is often confusing at the beginning of the year. If you send your child to school with lunch or milk money, please send the money in an envelope that is labeled with the phrase "Lunch Money", your child's name, and Mrs. Stadt - 1st grade.

Snacks

Each child in first grade is responsible for bringing in two (or more) healthy nut-free snacks to munch on throughout the day. These snacks are essential for rejuvenating energy and attention. Please do not send in candy! I will always have a supply of graham crackers for those "oh no" moments! Your child may also bring a water bottle to school as long as it contains WATER only!

Recess

In first grade, your child has the opportunity to run and play outside three times a day: before school, lunch, and at the end of the day. As the weather grows cold, remember to send your child to school with the appropriate winter gear. Make sure to label everything that your child brings to school as it is very easy for mittens, hats and even boots to go missing.

Library Books

Our class will visit the library on Mondays from 2:50-3:10 to hear a story and choose a book to bring home. Please help your child remember to return his or her book every Tuesday so he or she may choose another. If a book is lost or damaged, you may be asked to reimburse the library for the cost.

Specials

Our class attends specials from 1:55-2:45 each day. We follow a four day rotating schedule of PE, Art, STEAM, and Music. Please send in a pair of gym shoes that can be kept at school for PE days.

Toys

In first grade, we request that your child leaves toys, valuables, electronics, and sports balls at home. We do not want these special items to get lost or broken. Throughout the year, we will have special days in which toys, stuffed animals, or other special items are allowed at school.

Absences

If your child is absent from school, please call the office and send me an e-mail to let us know. I will collect the assignments your child has missed for you to complete at home upon their return. Frequent absences can impact your child's performance in the classroom. It is best for your child to be at school as much as possible.

