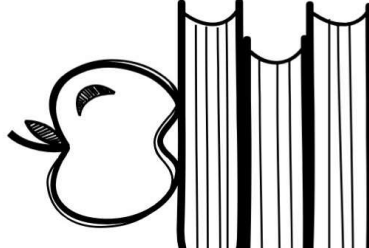


Registration Day Monday, August 5th 9:00am

Students will need to come to school on Monday, August 5th for Registration day. I will be giving a brief presentation beginning at 9:00am for both parents and students. We will be going over first grade information and expectations, and I will be answering any questions you may have. Your child will need to attend in order to be marked present for the first day of school. If your child does not come on Registration day (sometime between 8-10am), he/she will be marked absent.

On Registration Day, you will be given a packet of information that needs to be filled out for the school. It must be completely filled out and returned on **Wednesday, August 7th, the first full day of school. (Forms returned completed on that day will receive a FREE 100 in MATH and READING).**



-Katie Robertson
First Grade Teacher

*This year we are asking for a \$20 Activity Fee. This allows us to buy supplies for students to do crafts, and other hands on learning activities throughout the year.

Back to School

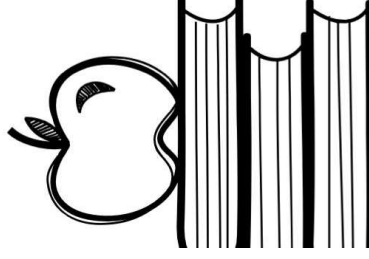
"Whenever students feel better emotionally good things happen."

Welcome to first grade!

I am so excited to start this year with your child and family! Together we will work as a team to ensure your child's success. I have prepared this packet to give you information about my classroom. Please keep this packet for reference and feel free to contact me if you have any concerns or questions regarding your child's progress throughout the year.

Social Emotional Learning

It is my goal to create a classroom environment where all students feel safe, welcomed, and loved. We will build this community together by talking together during regular classroom meetings, setting positive behavior expectations, and building a foundation of kindness to celebrate each other.



Birthdays

On your child's birthday you may send in treats for the class. We will have them as a snack in the afternoon. Please let me know ahead of time if you plan to send in something or would like me to reserve the primary cafeteria.

CLASSROOM COMMUNITY

BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

In Our Classroom...

- 1. We follow directions when they are given.**
- 2. We actively listen with our whole body.**
- 3. We work and learn in such a way that does not disturb or distract others.**
- 4. We speak at appropriate times using appropriate voices.**
- 5. We are respectful of others' ideas, space, and property.**
- 6. We use walking feet in the classroom and keep a T.A.M.E. line in the hallway.**

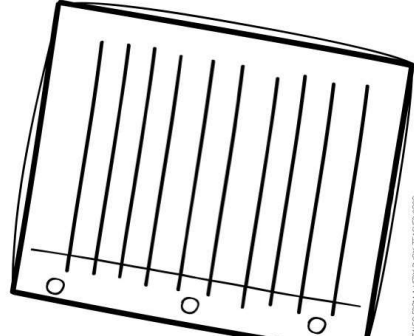


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Communication

Communication is very important for creating a successful year for your child. I use the ClassDojo app as my main form of communication. Please download the app if you have not already. I encourage you to make sure your notifications are on. I will post reminders and photos on the class story. You can also send me direct messages as well. My active hours on dojo are 7:30 AM- 3:30PM, if you message before or after these times I will get back to you as soon as I can. I can also be reached by classroom phone and email if you prefer. I kindly ask that you please do not reach out on other media platforms.



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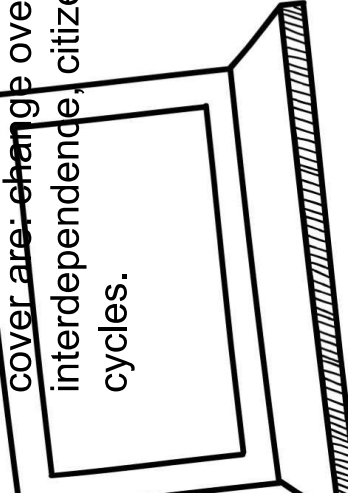
*Students will have a take home folder that will need to be checked nightly and sent back to school each day. A class newsletter with important information will come home each month as well as be posted on my teacher webpage.

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CURRICULUM

- **iReady! Math-** We will be able to add and subtract within 20 fluently, know place value, compare numbers, measure and read data graphs, & tell time to the hour and half hour.
- **Reading Wonders-** We will be reading literature and informational texts. We will have a featured story each week. We will work on comprehension, fluency, and writing. These stories will also be sent home for homework and should be read each night.

- **ELA Tennessee Unit Starters-** We learn and discuss a variety of topics through reading texts. We then use that knowledge to bring those skills to life. Some topics we cover are: change over time, interdependence, citizenship, space, and life cycles.

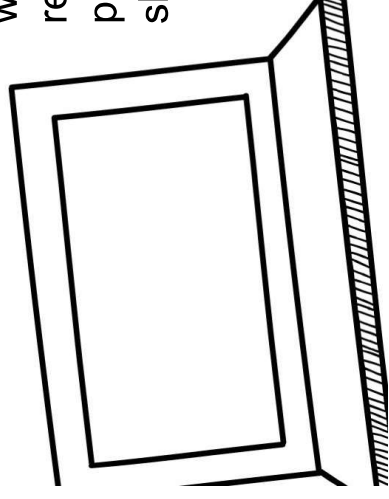


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CURRICULUM

- **Writing-** We will practice writing narratives, informational pieces, and opinion paragraphs. By the end of first grade, students will be able to write five sentences when given a prompt. Important skills to remember are: capitalization, punctuation, spacing, sounding out words on their own, and making sense of their writing.

Students will be utilizing chromebooks daily. Chromebooks will be used for reading practice, phonics, and math skills.



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HOMEWORK

- Reading story of the week- It needs to be read multiple times a week. This helps build fluency!
- Spelling words will be given weekly with a test on Friday.
- Writing- Students will complete a journal entry with an illustration once each week.
- Practice skills - Drill high frequency words and math facts at home. This helps first grader gain stronger fluency skills.
- Math practice pages will be sent home on occasion.



- Directions and needed materials for each week's homework assignments will be sent home on Mondays in your child's reading book baggie. This will include a "R.E.D (Read Every Day) folder." This bag gets returned to school DAILY and checked on Fridays.

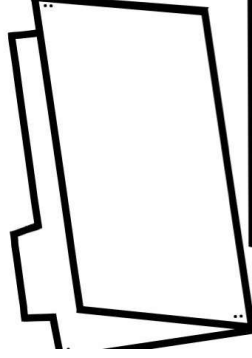
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Grades are new to your child this year. We encourage you to be very active in your child's learning. Grades will be given in Reading and Math. Graded papers come home any night of the week so the Daily Take Home Folder should be looked in nightly and papers taken out.

Grading Scale:

- A: 93 to 100
- B: 85 to 92
- C: 75 to 84
- D: 70 to 74
- F: 0 to 69

Please refer to the school website for attendance policy.



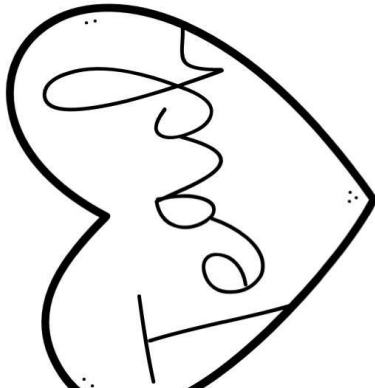
GRADING & ATTENDANCE

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We LOVE having volunteers! We want you to be as involved as much as possible in your child's first grade year.

If you are interested in volunteering in the classroom, please know you will need to be approved by administration this year and there is a brief training involved. I'm most interested in "volunteer listeners" who will sit and listen to children read.

I'd like volunteers start by the second week in September to allow us time in the classroom to establish good routines first.



I encourage you to stay connected throughout the school year. We will have Open House, Parent-Teacher Conferences, and field trips for families to attend throughout the year.

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

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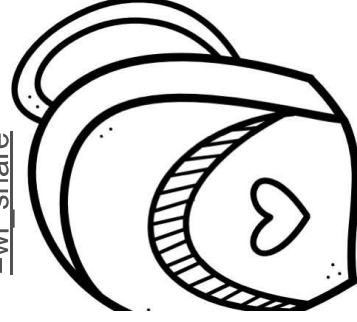
School Supplies List

Please only send the items on the list. NGS will be providing school supplies this for the 2023-2024 school year. **\$20 SUPPLY FEE**

- 2 boxes of Kleenex
- 2 rolls of paper towels (half sheets)
- 1 pack of pencils
- 1 box of 24 crayons
- 2 count of school glue sticks (6g size)
- 1 pack of BLACK fine tip
- dry-erase markers
- 1 box of PLAIN band-aids

Classroom Wish List

Classroom donations are always appreciated, but not expected. It truly helps make our year more successful. The following items are needed continuously throughout the school year. You can find other suggestions on my classroom Amazon Wish List https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3QAFHU2OHLADV?ref=wl_share



- Treasure box items (Happy Meal toys, small toys, erasers, etc.)
- Individually wrapped candy
- Pop Ice popsicles
- Astro-bright colored paper
- White cardstock paper
- Playdough (don't go generic brand)
- Clorox wipes

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Additional Items List

Please also send in...

1. Two changes of clothes (one cooler and one warmer outfit) in a gallon size ziploc baggie to keep in your child's locker at school in case of spills/accidents.
2. A pair of headphones for individual use for Chromebooks (Not earbuds)
3. A plastic water bottle with your child's name on it. The school asks that it be clear, the mouthpiece is covered, & there's not a straw sticking out of the top. This will come to school with your child each day already filled with water.

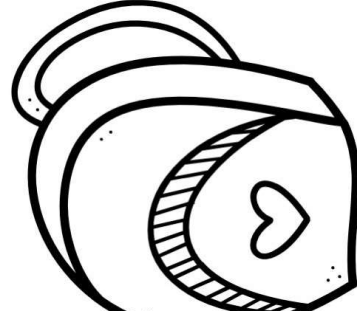


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Summer Reading

It's not too late to complete the summer reading assignment so your child can attend the special field trip coming up!

Upcoming first graders must read 15 picture books to an adult and make a list of the titles in their own handwriting. Parents need to initial each book. In addition, your child needs to complete three journal entries about three of those picture books read. Students are to draw a picture related to the story read and write a complete sentence to go along with it.

Return the list of books and illustrations to me on registration day and...

YOUR CHILD WILL RECEIVE A FREE 100 IN READING AND GET TO GO ON A SPECIAL FIELD TRIP ON A FERRY BOAT!

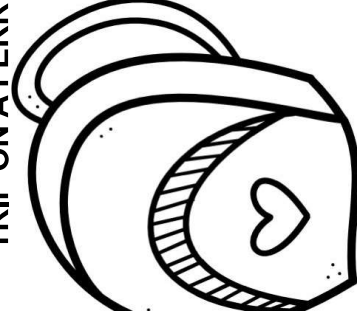


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