



Welcome to Kindergarten!

Personal Items

We ask that you send a change of clothes in a Ziploc bag that will be kept in your child's book bag in case of any accidents. Please label the Ziploc bag with your child's name. If your child has an accident, we will send home that set of clothes to be washed, and we ask that you replace that set with a new one for your child's book bag. Please be sure to update this emergency bag as your child grows and the seasons change. We thank you in advance for your help with this!

Transportation

If your child has any changes in transportation, it MUST be sent in writing on the day the change is to occur. If a written note is not sent with your child, he/she will be sent home using his/her regular daily transportation. No changes or sign outs will be allowed after 2:00 p.m. daily.

Money

All money that comes to school (PTA membership, school fees, pictures, etc.) needs to be in an envelope/Ziploc bag with your child's name on it, along with what the money is to be used for and the amount, clearly labeled on the front. This will help us make sure the money gets to the right place quickly!

Birthdays

You may send individually wrapped store bought items to school for your child's birthday. Please send enough items for 20 children. The items should be sent to school 5 days BEFORE your child's birthday, so they may be quarantined prior to the birthday.

PTA

Please help support our PTA! Our PTA works hard to support our students at WMES. Show your support by joining for \$5. We would love to have 100% participation from each class!

Kindergarten Supply List

- ~Gallon Ziplock bags with zippers
- ~Quart Ziplock bags with zippers
- ~1 pack black EXPO Dry Erase Marker
- ~1 bottle Antibacterial Hand Soap
- ~Disinfectant Wipes (Clorox, Lysol, etc.)
- ~1 pack glue sticks
- ~1 pack colored pencils
- ~Ticonderoga Pencils
- ~Paper Towels
- ~Supply Box
- ~Water Bottle
- ~Headphones labeled with your child's name (Headphones that cover the ear work better than ones go inside the ear.)

Wish List

Play-Doh, hand sanitizer, items for Treasure Chest, Baby/Wet wipes, white card stock

Attendance

Attendance is vital to your child's success this year! Dorchester School District IV's policy states that your child may not miss more than 10 days. If your child has 10 or more unexcused absences you will be contacted by the Truancy Office of DD4.

Assessments

Your child will be assessed this year using anecdotal records, teacher observations, checklists, performance assessments and standardized tests to document your child's progress. Over the course of the year, your child will be assessed on the following:

- KRA (Kindergarten Readiness Assessment)
- Letter Identification
- Knowledge of letter sounds
- Reading fluency and comprehension
- Number identification
- Counting objects up to 20
- Sight word recognition
- CVC words/blending
- Writing their name
- Rhyming words
- Orally counting to 100
- Adding and subtracting within 10
- Fountas and Pinnell reading level
- Writing
- MAP Testing (Measure of Academic Progress)
MAP is a standardized test given 3 times a year.
- STAR Testing (Standardized Test for the Assessment of Reading)
Star is a standardized test given many times a year. Star assesses reading, math and early literacy skills and is given several times throughout the year.

Units of Study

During the course of the year, your child will be learning through unit studies. Some of the units that we will be covering this year are:

- All About Me
- Habitats
- Apples
- Leaves
- Pumpkins
- Transportation
- Maps
- Our Community
- Author Studies
- Magnets
- Plants
- Then and Now
- Weather/Seasons

Special Areas

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Johnson	H	A	M	P	C
Lewis	P	C	H	A	M
Minus	A	M	P	C	H
Vail	M	P	C	H	A

Key

- C - Computer
- H - Health
- A - Art
- M - Music
- P - PE

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Contact Information

REMIND is the best way to communicate with your child's teacher. Accounts and directions are listed below. **DO NOT SEND TRANSPORTATION CHANGES THROUGH REMIND. WE MAY NOT SEE THEM IN TIME!!**

1. Send a text message to 81010
2. Find your child's teacher below. Then text the message @ along with the underlined portion to 81010

For RHONDA JOHNSON text ~ @RJ2122

For KELLY LEWIS text ~ @KCL22

For CANDI MINUS text ~ @mscminus

For text ASHLEY VAIL text ~ @MissVailK

You may also reach your child's teacher through her email address listed below, or by calling the front office at 843.563.3231. Messages left with the front office may not be received for 24 hours. Please bear this in mind.

Mrs. Rhonda Johnson – rjohnson@dd4.k12.sc.us

Mrs. Kelly Lewis ~ kewis@dd4.k12.sc.us

Ms. Candi Minus ~ cminus@dd4.k12.sc.us

Miss Ashley Vail ~ avail@dd4.k12.sc.us