



Mrs. Kahn's 1st Grade News

Dates to Remember:

Aug 25th: 1st day of school

What We Are Working On:

Kindergarten Review

Message to the Parents/Guardians

A new year is underway, and your child is a first grader! I am very, very excited and ready to begin the year. I want to take this opportunity to let you as the parents know what to expect this year. As first grade students I expect your child to always give 100% and to take on more responsibility throughout the year. I ask you, their parent, to help them do this and to encourage them in whatever ways you can. I also ask you to come to me with any questions or concerns that you have in regards to your child. As parents of one of my students you can expect me to be open and honest with you, to communicate with you through monthly newsletters (just like this one), notes, phone conversations, and also to do my best to give your child the education they deserve. Special classes are in the afternoon from 1:50 - 2:39 so if you need to contact me during the day those times would be best. I am also good about e- mailing or texting. Looking forward to a great year and hope you are too!



Literacy Program

This year grades K-2nd will continue a phonics program called Pathways to Reading. I do want to let you know that with this program we will not start spelling until 2nd quarter. For now we will be working on our handwriting.

Party Sign up

Class parties will be different this year as we are not allowing guests into the building at this time, but we would still like to celebrate the major holidays in our room. If you would like to sign up to send something for the class to help us celebrate on these days please text or email me and let me know what you'd like to send (ex. Game, snack, drink, goodie bag). If you have a certain party you'd like to send them for please specify that too. Once everyone has had the opportunity to sign up I will send a letter home with which party and what items you are responsible for. Please keep in mind that we are asking all snacks and drinks be store bought again this year. Thanks again!

Halloween Friday, October 30th	Valentine Friday, February 12th	Easter Thursday, April 1st
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New and Different

Finally, I want to take this opportunity to let you know about a couple things that will definitely be new and different this year. We will be a little more isolated from other grades, but we will still collaborate and do group work where possible in the room. We also have less flexible seating choice on a day to day basis, but students will be able to move around to different areas of the room to do homework, read, and other free time activities. Water bottles will be provided for students instead of using the water fountains. We will also sanitize more areas of the room on a daily basis in addition to having hand sanitizer outside of each room. At this time we are not planning to do PAWS, but have switched to focusing on rewarding Exact Path which we started this year. We are also not planning on doing Open Library after school. I'm sure the kids will adjust quickly to all of these changes,

but if you have questions or concerns at any point please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you in advance for your patience as we figure out how things will work best this year!

