

First Grade Newsletter

Friday, August 28, 2020

In First Grade, we have been very busy adjusting to our new routine, introducing our curriculum and getting to know one another. Your children are working hard and we are looking forward to a great year!

Today, your child will go home with their first "Homework Packet". "Homework Packets" will go home every Friday and will be due the following Friday. The "Homework Packet" is designed to give your child the opportunity for review, practice and the development of good study habits. The packet includes; a Reading Log (we encourage students to read or be read to 15-20 minutes each day), weekly Spelling words, a Bible verse from the week's Bible lesson (the verse does not have to be memorized) and work pages. Everything in the packet is something we covered in class. Be available to help your child with the studying of spelling words and the reading of directions. They should be able to complete the packet without too much help.

Also going home today is your child's first "Word Wave". "Word Waves" will be used to practice sight words in the same manner that "Rainbow Words" were used in Kindergarten at Bethany. See the "Word Wave" in this week's "Homework Folder" for all the details. The "Homework Folder" will also contain corrected classroom work and morning seat work. One of these numbered pages are waiting for your child each day when they arrive to class. They work on these independently and then we work on them as a whole class. This is a great way to settle in and begin the school day. It also helps students become familiar with concepts necessary for Reading and Writing. You will see these pages throughout the school year.

First Grade Music will begin next Thursday afternoon! P.E. days are still to be determined. We will let you know the designated days as soon as possible.

We love to celebrate birthdays in our classrooms! Due to Covid 19 restrictions we cannot accept food of any kind to be shared to the classroom. We will still celebrate your child's special day in very special ways in our classrooms.

We are in need of small, inexpensive prizes for our classroom prize boxes (along with paper and cleaning supplies). Items must be new. Packages of party prizes (Dollar Store) are great! A great way to earn "hours". Save your receipts.

Please contact us via email anytime with questions or concerns. We thank you for your support and we look forward to a great year in First Grade!

God Bless,
Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Campos