

Miss Mathews 1st and 2nd Combo Class

9/3/2021

Happy Friday Parents! We had another successful week in our 1st and 2nd combo class. The students are doing really well in their academics and following classroom rules. This week we focused on God's gift to Abram. We talked about how important it is to follow God even when it is hard to believe. We learned that we can always trust in God because He will never let us down. In history, we focused on making our own classroom map and creating a key with symbols to represent different areas of our classroom. In science, we started unit 1 which focuses on science tools. We learned about different types of tools we use in science and what those tools do. We will continue with unit 1 next week. In ELA, we focused on complete sentences using a subject and predicate. We talked about how to start a sentence with a capital letter and end with a punctuation. We also used a Venn diagram and learned how to compare and contrast different things. We continued to talk about nouns and how to add an 's' to make them possessive. In math, we continued to work on numbers, angles, telling time, odd and even, and patterns. We took our first math test and everyone did exceptionally well! Great job guys!

Sight Words: Both 1st and 2nd now have sight words they should be working on. Once your child knows their sight words, please send the list or word wave back into class and they will be tested on them. Any student who finishes reading all first grade word waves (26 of them) or 2nd grade sight words list (16 of them) by the end of the year, will get to have a pizza party with me!

Classroom Birthdays: We love birthdays in our classroom! If your child has a birthday and wants to celebrate with the class, please let me know. You can send in cupcakes, donuts, gift bags or even have a pizza party. Let me know if there is something special you would like to do!

Classroom Volunteers: I know many parents have asking about volunteering in the classroom. We will have different volunteer opportunities such as field trips and class parties. I usually don't need parent volunteers in the classroom during the day since we have Miss Cindy or Miss Paden in our class as a classroom aide. If anyone would like to take home weekly or occasion grading for partnership hours, please let me know. I can send home packets, tests and other papers for parents whenever I have them.

Homework Packets: Homework will go home in homework folders. Their homework is due next Friday 9/10. If your child finishes their homework early, they are more than welcome to turn it in before Friday. Please make sure they are turning in their homework folders as well. This will help keep their new homework packet safe and allows me to send home some work we have done during the week.

Days to Remember: Monday's we have music with Ms. Brianna. This is a regular school uniform day. Tuesday's and Friday's we will have PE. Students are to wear their PE clothes on these day. Wednesday's are chapel day. Students are to wear their chapel uniform. Thursday's are regular school uniform.

Supplies: Here are some things we need for our class that can be used for partnership hours:

- Clorox wipes
- Lysol
- Hand Soap
- Treasure box toys (these can be bought at the dollar store- small toys, playdough, pencils, stickers, or anything else you can think of)

Partnership Hours: Please make sure you are filling out partnership hours **monthly** and turning them in. If you purchase anything for our classroom, please keep the receipt and attach it to the partnership hours' form. I will sign it off and turn it into the office for you.

Consumables: Every child is responsible for consumables for the class. A list of consumables is going home in each child's Friday folder. This list will let you know when your child should bring in their consumables.

Important Dates:

9/6: Labor Day! No school!

9/7: Apples for the Arts Fundraiser Starts

9/15: Picture Day- Chapel Dress

9/24: Minimum Day

First Grade Spelling Words (short vowel i):

1. log
2. dot
3. top
4. hot
5. ox
6. lot
7. stop
8. slot
9. slug
10. box

Second Grade Spelling Words (short vowel e, o, u):

1. cake
2. mine
3. plate
4. size
5. ate
6. grape
7. prize
8. wipe

9. race
10. line
11. pile
12. rake
13. gave
14. bike

Challenge words:

1. mistake
2. while

Bible Verse (1st and 2nd):

“Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.” Matthew 5:44