



Hello and welcome back to school!

I hope you all had a fantastic summer holiday. I'm so excited to be moving back downstairs and teaching grades 1 & 2. We are going to have a fabulous year.

Feel free to talk to me any time that you have a concern of or comment. I love talking to parents and look forward to getting to know each one of you this year.

Here a few things to think about as we start a new year.

Snack Time: We have time for a snack each morning at 9:45. This needs to be something simple and healthy.

Lunch Time: Lunch is at 11:30 and they have approximately 25 minutes eat it. When packing lunches think about healthy options that are easy to eat and open. I do try and teach independence and encourage each child to open items themselves.

Shoes: When choosing shoes for your child please keep in mind their ability to tie. If they do not know how to tie yet and you have bought shoes with laces please work on this skill at home.

Extra clothes: Please send an extra set of clothes for your child in case of an accident. If your child is embarrassed to bring extra clothes remind him/her that accidents, come in many forms.

Coat/sweater/hoodie: Please make sure that your child has something to put on when we go outside. We try to get outside each day, and I encourage coat wearing when it's cold out.

Important Folder: Each day your child will bring home an "Important Folder". This folder will contain notes, spelling lists, homework, or other important things. If something is in the folder, it is important for you to see it. I do not put old or completed work in it so if you see work in it, it is probably homework and needs to be completed and returned. Please check this folder each night and send it back to school. I will send it **every** day with or without things in it, so we are in a habit of carrying it.

Thank you so much for your time and your children. I'm looking forward to an awesome year!

Ms. Mandy