 Ms. Russo’s First Grade

Welcome back to school! I am looking forward to a productive year filled with many exciting learning experiences!

As a parent, you too play an important role in our community. With support and encouragement at home, your child will experience much success with comfort and confidence! I look forward to working with you through the joys and challenges of first grade

**Home Folder and Student Panner**

Each day your child will be coming home from school with a HOME FOLDER. In this folder you may find several important papers such as:

**\*Homework:** All homework should be completed and returned to school the following day, unless otherwise noted on the homework paper. This folder may have notes or work from other teachers or the office. Please check over everything.

Please make it a daily routine to check both your child’s Home Folder and Student Planner. The Home Folder and Student Planner should always come to and from school each day, even if it is empty! Thank you for your cooperation!

**School Supplies**

I was very pleased to see many of the children come completely prepared with all of their supplies requested on the supply list! If your child has not brought in all of their supplies, please try to send them as soon as possible. Thanks!

**Birthdays**

Birthdays are special occasions. Understandably, parents and children want to celebrate the day. However, the school day and instruction cannot be set aside for birthday parties. Due to unknown allergies and other dietary concerns, I am asking that you refrain from sending treats to class. Suggested items in place of treats would be pencils, erasers, coloring or activity books. If you do not want your child to celebrate birthdays or any other holiday, you must contact the classroom teacher.

**Lunch**

Each day we will have lunch from 10:50-11:20.

**Transportation**

If your child’s transportation home **ever** changes. It is important to contact the office. Student’s cannot tell me a change, it must come from a parent.

**Just a Few Reminders:**

>Spelling dictation tests are given weekly, every Friday

>Spelling Homework Packets are due by Friday every week

>Phonics Packets are due by Friday every week

>Expect Math homework

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