

August 29, 2017

Dear Parents,

It has been amazing start to our year. The first graders have been busy learning new routines, building our classroom community, and creating our **“First grade Promise”**.

Homework in Reading will start coming home in their red folder next week. In Math, the students will try to complete it in the classroom. Please spend some “together time” chatting and listening to what they learned during their very busy day!

After Labor Day, reading books will also be coming home in a cloth book bag with their number on it. Please share some reading time with them each night. The books and bag need to be returned every day. On Fridays there won't be any homework, just to enjoy time with one another. Also, the children will be going to our library on Fridays. They need to have their book back by Friday in order to check out a new one. Please try to help them with this. It is very exciting to choose a new book.

Thank you to all who have filled out the “Student Learning Ideas” form. We have some fantastic ideas and an amazing group of learners. If you are a parent who wants to volunteer in the classroom, you must stop by the office and fill out a form. Your name will then go to the school board to be approved. Even if you have volunteered before, you need to fill it out again. Those of you have already done that I will be starting after Labor Day. I will send home a note on Friday letting you know what time I'll need you and what you will be doing with the students.

Also, the children do work very hard every day and they do get hungry. So far I have had one parent provide lots of snacks. I am asking each parent to provide a **nutritious snack**. There needs to be enough for 27 children. Also, we do have a student that is **extremely allergic** to peanuts. Snacks could be things

like cheese sticks, pretzels, gold fish, graham crackers, animal crackers. Fruit is okay but not the easiest to serve.

Thanks so much for all your time and love that you give your child every day. It makes all the difference in the world to them and their success in life!

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Horn