



Dive into School! 2011-2012

Welcome to First/Second grade!!!

I am looking forward to this year and all of the exciting things I have planned for our class! As we adventure and explore “under the sea”, learning will be fun as well as educational. I know we are going to have a great year!

Daily Schedule: 8:45 A.M. School begins. Any student arriving after 8:45 must obtain a tardy slip from the office. Any student not in their seat by 8:45 will be marked tardy.

10:30-10:45- Recess

12:45-1:30- Lunch

3:15- Class dismissed. Any student not picked up by 3:30 will be taken to day care.

Weekly Schedule: Monday- Newsletter and work packet sent home.

Tuesday- Writing/ Cursive Test or Language/Phonics Test

Wednesday- Spelling Pre-test

Thursday- Math Test

Friday- Final Spelling test

Math, Language, Phonics, Writing, Penmanship, Spelling and Reading will be taught daily. History lessons, Science lessons and Health lessons will be taught on a rotating schedule throughout the year in the afternoon. Art and Music will be taught on Fridays ☺

Homework: Homework will be assigned on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday. Homework Folders will be sent home on Monday along with the weekly newsletter and completed work packet. Homework will be checked daily. Reading must be read through twice, once silently and once out loud to an adult. Don't forget to sign your child reading log.

Fish Folders: These binders are designed to help keep students organized. Fish folders will be brought home daily and back to school daily. Fish Folders will contain homework, homework planner, reading log, news letter, work packet, progress reports, and any other important communication. Students should put completed homework in their Fish Folder to return to school the next day. Please make sure to sign or initial the packet log, reading log, homework planner, and weekly progress report.

READING Books: Your child will be receiving a reading book that is to be read at home and at school. The reading book should come home with your student and should return back to school daily. When your child completes the book a new one will be issued. Students are encouraged to circle special sounds that they recognize in their reading as well. We will be keeping track of pages read at home and at school on the reading log. Make sure to check for this regularly. We are building strong readers for the educational success of your child.

Birthdays: We will be celebrating birthdays for students as they occur. Please make prior arrangements and give plenty of prior notice to allow for planning. Our first party will be for students who had birthdays during the summer in July, August, or September. We will celebrate these birthdays on Friday, September 23, 2011. Please see me for planning details if your child had a summer birthday.

Field Trips: I am so excited about our class field trips! We will be taking at least three field trips this year. I will be announcing and sending out permission slips as soon as our location and dates are confirmed. We do rely on parent volunteers to make our field trips happen.

Conduct: Classroom conduct should be as follows: 1st we should honor God at all times with our words and actions, and 2nd we respect the rights of others. 3rd we do unto others as we would have others do unto us. Please obey all classroom rules. Last but not least, when do we do it?... "First time, every time"!

Discipline: First and second offences will be a warning. Third offence will result in a consequence of losing recess and writing sentences. Fourth offence will result in a note being sent home to parents. Fifth offence will result in afternoon detention. Disciplinary action will be renewed daily. A weekly report will come home with your child so make sure to check for this and sign and return it weekly. It will indicate your child's daily behavior and credit for turning in homework assignments as well as any comments. A green bucket indicates that your child had a good day. A yellow bucket indicates a fair day. A red bucket indicates that your child had a bad day. If your child turns in a signed weekly report I will give him/her a sand dollar reward to spend at our student store.

Rewards: Sand dollar savings will be the reward system for the class. Students can earn individual sand dollars that can be redeemed at the school store. The class as a whole can make daily deposits into the sand dollar savings bank in order to earn a class party. Sand dollars are rewarded for good behavior. Individual sand dollars can be spent at the class student store on Fridays. We always welcome donations for the student's store.

I am so happy to be your child's teacher this year. I am looking forward to getting to know both you and your child. I will be on campus from 8:00 AM until 3:30 PM. Also, if you have any questions or concerns please contact by email at cyncrow7@yahoo.com or by phone at (951) 255-5727.

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