

Dear \_\_\_\_\_

Welcome to my class! I will see you on Tuesday, September 7, 2010. I am so excited and looking forward to meeting you. There are a few things that both you and your parents need to know about first grade! Read below so that you can come prepared!

### EXPECTATIONS FOR FIRST GRADE

1. Practice listening to and following directions.
2. Teach proper bathroom habits.
3. Read to your child and ask questions about the story.
4. Practice tying, zipping, and buttoning.
5. Review upper and lower case alphabet letters.
6. Practice counting to 100 by 1's, 2's, 5's, and 10's.
7. Practice cutting, pasting, and coloring neatly!
8. Know your address, phone number and birthday.
9. Practice high frequency words from Kindergarten!
10. Practice time on the hour and half hour.
11. Practice coin value (penny, nickel, dime and quarter).
12. Practice adding and subtracting!



**\*Parents – there are many supplemental books for first graders available for your children at stores around town. They will learn so many new things in first grade, and it's important they come prepared!**

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**Please purchase these school supplies for your child prior to the first day of school. Don't forget to bring them with you on the first day. (For safety, no rolling backpacks please!)**

#### **Bring only these items to school:**

1. **A healthy snack and drink (everyday)**
2. Lunch or lunch money in envelope – ***With your child's ID number***
3. 2 boxes of tissues
4. 1 roll of paper towels
5. 1 container of baby wipes
6. a smock or old shirt for art
7. 1 inch – 3 ring binder with a clear slot in front cover for a sheet of paper to slip in
8. Zip pencil pouch for binder
9. 2 folders (1 for in binder, 1 for school)
10. 1 Folder with 3 brass fasteners inside
11. 3 Large glue sticks & Elmers wet glue
12. 12 Sharpened pencils
13. Crayons (twist up plastic are best!)
14. Crayon box/pencil case (hard case)
15. Children's scissors
16. **A Bright Smile on Your Face!**



#### **Keep at home for homework:**

1. Crayons
2. Pencils
3. Scissors
4. Glue
5. Ruler
6. Shoebox to keep take-home books!

**\*PLEASE PUT CHILD'S NAME ON ALL BELONGINGS, INCLUDING BACKPACKS AND JACKETS!**

**\*Be prepared to replenish school supplies a few times throughout the year. We work so hard and go through our supplies quite quick!**

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**Morning: Main playground – 9:00 a.m.**

**Dismissal: Cafeteria door (courtyard) 3:00 pm**

(Parents are requested not to remain on blacktop areas in the morning after the first day of school.)

WOW! There is so much to remember when entering first grade! I am looking forward to meeting you on the first day of school. Enjoy a healthy, safe, and happy summer vacation!

**Sincerely,  
Your First Grade Teacher!**