

August 26, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians of Room 300,

Welcome back to school! My name is Monica Regan. I will be your child's fourth grade teacher. I'm so excited about having your child in my class this year and I look forward to sharing many fun, educational experiences with them.

In fourth grade, we will explore many new topics. As new topics are introduced and other topics revisited, homework will be given Monday-Thursday to reinforce those skills learned in school. It is important that students complete their homework every night in order to show understanding of the skills. In Math, in particular, independent practice promotes progress. Please write a note on your child's homework if they do not understand an assignment. I also ask that you initial your child's homework. Please make sure your child reads every night for at least 20 minutes, including weekends. Building stamina- the ability to focus on a task for an extended period of time- will truly service them as they continue to grow and achieve.

In order to ensure a smooth transition to grade 4, I will provide you with some important information now and throughout the year. I suggest you keep a folder to store materials for easy reference. Your children will keep their work organized by having a TAKE HOME folder and an IN SCHOOL folder. The TAKE HOME folder will bring homework home each night and will need to be checked daily for important information from the school/district.

- 1. School begins at 8:15.** Please be sure that your child is on time. Lateness and absences do affect your child's progress. **Dismissal is at 2:50.**
- 2. If your child is absent, a note must be sent with your child upon their return. If your child does not bring a note the absence is unexcused.**
- 3.** Please have all up to date contact information with your child in case of an emergency. If your contact information changes throughout the school year, please send in the updated information as soon as possible.
- 4.** Our class will be using Class Dojo to communicate and keep you up to date on your child's progress. Please join ASAP as this is an easy way for us to communicate frequently. More information will follow about how to track your child's progress in school.
- 5.** Please have all supplies by **Tuesday, September 3, 2024.**

As parents and guardians, you will be an important part of the success of our classroom. There will be many opportunities for you to volunteer your time and skills. This will ensure that your child is receiving the best education possible. In order to volunteer in the classroom or for a field trip, the school must all have required clearances. Clearances are free for volunteers. The office can assist you on completing the necessary clearances. If you will be interested in volunteering, you should go to the main office **ASAP** to get started on the process as it takes some time.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, concerns, or ideas. Please send a note with your contact number or call the school to set up an appointment. I look forward to meeting you and working toward a successful school year!

*Please note that gym days are on **Wednesdays** and **Thursdays** for Room 300 so your child should come to school in sneakers on those days in order to participate.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Regan

