

Helpful Information

Please read and save for reference

Questions: Please use my e-mail mcneall@wrenthamschools.org or send in a note. I will get back to you as soon as possible. It is also possible to leave voice mail; my extension is 1270. **Please do not leave any time sensitive messages.**

Lunch and Snack: The children eat lunch at 12:15. The cost is \$2.50 to buy a school lunch. Milk only is 50 cents. Snack time is around 10:00. Please try to send in a healthy snack from home.

Birthdays: If you are planning a party for your child please do not ask me or your child to pass out invitations at school unless you are inviting the whole class. We are trying to avoid hurt feelings.

On or near each child's birthday we will sing to them and have an extra recess in honor of the birthday child. They will receive a pencil from Mrs. Wagstaff and choose something from the birthday basket.

Conferences and Report Cards: This year we will be sending report cards home three times: November, March, and June. In First Grade we have conferences in November and March. You are of course welcome to speak with me anytime you have questions or concerns.

Notes from home: Always send in a note if your child is being picked up, being dismissed early, going to scouts etc. Please put all notes in your child's homework folder. Make sure they know they have a note and what the plans are. When they take out their homework they will see the note. Please date all notes and include the name of the person picking them up.

Homework: School policy for First Grade is 10-20 minutes a night. Please supervise the homework and have your child use correct letter and number formation. Also encourage neat careful printing and coloring.

Volunteers: All volunteers must fill out a CORI form. You can find these forms in the Superintendent's office. These forms are good for three years.

Sign In: Please remember to sign in at the office whenever you visit the school or classroom.

Please continue to practice the following skills at home:

- shoe tying
- address (number, street, town,)
- phone number
- birth date
- zipping
- correct scissor use

Please encourage your child to take responsibility for:

- completing and returning homework (with your supervision)
- sharing and returning library books on time
- cleaning up toys and materials they use
- disposing of tissues properly
- personal hygiene (blowing nose properly, covering their mouth when they cough or sneeze)
- using polite words and good manners at all times

School begins at 8:20 and ends at 2:45. If your child arrives after 8:20 you need to sign them in at the office and then they may walk down to the classroom on their own.

First Grade is an exciting time. I look forward to a wonderful year of learning and growing together.

Please try not to compare your child's progress or work with that of an older sibling, a friend or any other child. Each one is a unique individual who learns at his/her own pace.

Specials:

Monday Health first half the year P.E second half

Tuesday Technology

Wednesday Music and Library

Thursday Art

Friday Gym