  Ms. Moses 

 September, 2020 Remote Learning

Dear Families,

 **Welcome to 1st Grade!** I am looking forward to meeting all of you and having a very productive school year with your children. First grade is filled with learning, fun, and most importantly growth, both academically and socially. It is a time of inquiry and discovery and growing into independence within the school community.

 This letter will outline some of the important aspects of first grade and will give you basic information that will be helpful to you over the course of the year!

**\*The first month and a half are devoted to routines and review. You may say it is**

**too easy. Believe me it starts to pick up quickly and soon you will be saying there is**

**a lot of work. The children will be able to handle it!**

# School Hours

School starts promptly at **8:30 am** and ends at **2:00 pm.** Please make sure your child

Signs in on time to avoid being marked late and missing instruction.

**The Independent Student**

# It is important for your child to get comfortable with me and start to become alittle independent from you. In order to do this, you have to give your child space to grow.

# That means you’re not hovering over your child while in remote school. I will let you know if there is a need for you to be there. In the beginning, we will be getting your child ready to do all the daily activities through rules and routines. Of course, your child will need you to upload work. But the idea is to get them to learn how to do things on their own, so they feel like they are following the class.

# Homework

Students will be getting Homework. Homework should not take more then 45 minutes. It is important to do the homework because it is a review of what we are doing in remote learning.

**Virtual School Trips**

There will be virtual school trips to go on and some very fun activities to enjoy!

# Virtual Birthday Parties & Celebrations

Each child will be recognized for their birthday. We will be using a birthday chart to celebrate their special day!

**Virtual Back to School Night**

Our Back to School Night is planned for: TBD

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Thank you,

Dana Moses

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 Below is a basic list of supplies:

\* “**PLASTIC”** pocket folders **with your child’s name on them:**

(1 purple (**Writing**), 1 orange(**Classwork**)), 1 yellow(**Math**), 1 blue (**Reading Response**), 1 green (**Poetry**) and 1 Red(Homework). **It is extremely important that the colors are correct. You will need these when you go into school.**

 **\* Two Marble notebook with lines**

 **\* Two Marble notebook without lines**

 **\*Whiteboard w/dry erase markers**

 **\*Clear plastic paper holders: you can write on the covers and change the paper.**

**An Assortment of Small Tabs to Stick into Marble notebooks**

**Pencils & Pencil Sharpener**

**Ruler or measuring tape**

**Erasers**

**Colorful pencils & Markers**

**Scissors**

**Tape or glue**

**Printer paper**

**A favorite stuffed animal (Best Friend)**

**Stopwatch**

**Earphones**

**Blue light screen blocker for computer screen**

**Internet service (reach out if you don’t have so DOE can help)**

**A computer/device that can utilize the google classroom platform**

**Access a way to take photos of work and upload them**

**Annual calendar to write important dates**

**Bag of dried beans or pasta for counting activities**

**An hour with an adult to help set up accounts and save bookmarks for websites:**

 **Reading: Epic**

 **Flipgrid**

 **Learning: Brainpop**

 **Playing: Chesskid**

**A private workspace (quiet area set up for working and zooming)**

**An email account (set up by DOE) must be child’s name**

**A zoom account linked to your child’s doe email**

**\*\*\*\*\*For security purposes, every email must have your child’s name. I will not be able to admit students whose name is not displayed properly.**

 **Log in for Epic Books –**

**You will be sent an invite THIS IS A NEW LINK!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!Don’t use the other one it was last year’s classroom.**

