

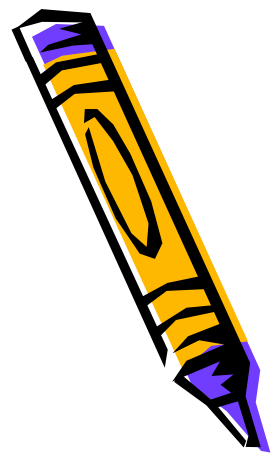
John F. Kennedy School
Parent Orientation

Mrs. Patyk

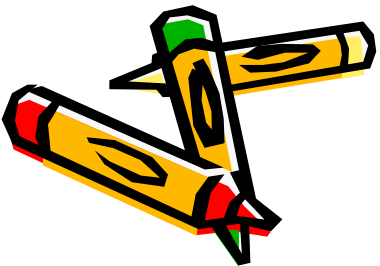
3rd Grade



Introduction



- ◆ Illinois State University
- ◆ 30 years of teaching
- ◆ Married
- ◆ Children: Betsy & Sarah
- ◆ Live on a farm in rural Lostant



Morning Activities



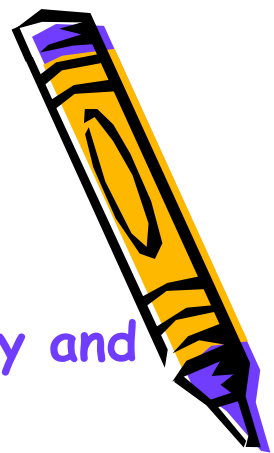
- ◆ Attendance- Doors open at 8:15 A.M. School begins at 8:25 A.M. Do not arrive to school too early.
- ◆ Lunch Count- Power Lunch Program. You build an account by sending money whenever your account runs low. Check your account on the computer with the password and login given to you from the office. Please label an envelope with child's name and prepay at least 10 days at time.

(YOUR CHILD NEEDS TO KNOW IF THEY EATING HOT OR SACK LUNCH DAILY)

- ◆ Hot lunch= \$1.85 Reduced \$.40, extra sandwich= \$.60, sack lunch milk=\$.30, breakfast \$.85



Reading



- ◆ We will cover one story per week, and usually a vocabulary and comprehension quiz will be given at the end of each week.
- ◆ Oral, silent, and partner reading of the classroom story is done during class each week.
- ◆ To encourage reading at home, your child is required to read each story at home to an adult, and have a slip signed. The slip is due by the end of the week, which allows you to choose the best night of the week that works for you.
- ◆ Accelerated Reading Program- Your child will be accumulating points from books read at school and at home. I expect your child to read at home EVERY NIGHT for at least 15 minutes from the Accelerated reading book. Your child is expected to read at least 2 chapter books per month based on their own reading level.



Language



- ◆ Discussion of sentence structure, paragraphs, parts of speech, capitalization and punctuation.
- ◆ Every few weeks, short quizzes will be given over the material.



Spelling



- ◆ 15 words total on each weekly list
- ◆ Pretest on Wednesday -if your child receives a 100% he/she will not have to take the Post test on Friday. This encourages studying during the week as opposed to "cramming" the night before the test.



Science/Social Studies



- ◆ Chapters usually take 2 weeks to cover.
- ◆ An in-class take home review sheet over the material will occur the day before the chapter test.
- ◆ In addition we will usually play a computer review game like Jeopardy, Who Wants To Be A Millionaire etc. the day before the test.



Math



- ◆ The beginning of the textbook is a review of addition and subtraction. Please practice the basic facts at home for memorization.
- ◆ Other topics that will be taught are place value, measurement, time and money, shapes and solid figures, multiplication and the basics of the metric system.
- ◆ A chapter test will be given after the usual 2 weeks it takes to cover the chapter.



Classroom Rules

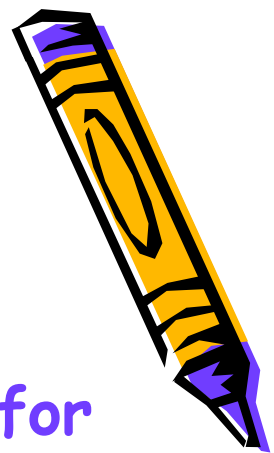


1. Be Safe
2. Be Respectful
3. Be Responsible

If your child chooses to follow these rules, he/she will be rewarded with "wildcats" with the opportunity to purchase prizes every 2 weeks. If your child chooses not to follow these rules, he/she will receive a "minor". When the 5th minor is received within a 9 week grading period, your child earns a detention to be served the following day. This will allow for transportation preparation for your family. Ten minors earns a 2 hour principal detention.



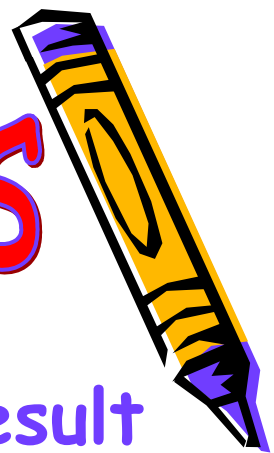
Homework



- ◆ Usually everyday, we will have an assignment for every subject. If your child uses the time given wisely, he/she should not have much daily work to complete at home, although occasionally I do give an assignment that is required to be done at home.
- ◆ Please check your child's assignment notebook each night, to see what work your child does have yet to complete.
- ◆ You can check homework hotline on the school website. www.sv99.org



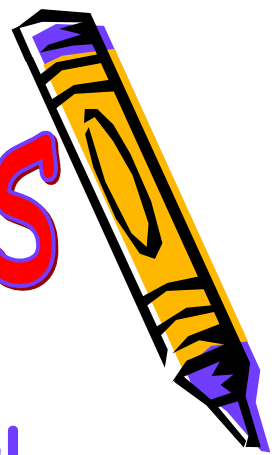
Missing Assignments



- ◆ Any late or incomplete assignments will result in one "minor".
- ◆ This policy teaches responsibility to your child, therefore your child's work must be at school in the morning and not brought to school at a later time that day.



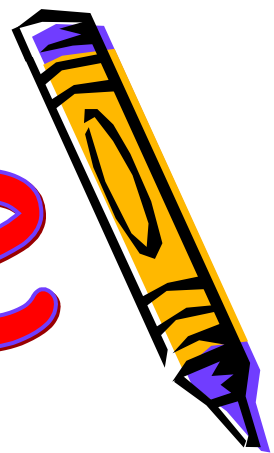
Do-Over Assignments



- ◆ In order to help your child be successful, he/she is allowed to "do over" any daily assignment that received a "D" or "F".
- ◆ If the assignment is completed correctly this time and signed by an adult, the child will receive a 75% instead of the previous grade.
- ◆ This is only possible on daily assignments and not on quizzes, tests, or projects.



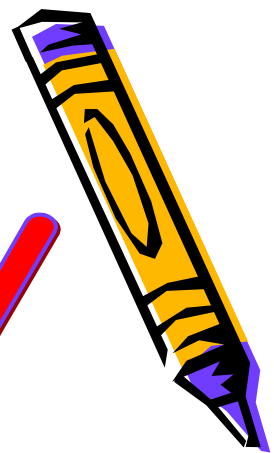
Attendance



- ◆ Being on time and present in school is very important. Help your child to develop this good habit.
- ◆ However, if your child is ill, please keep them home, so as not to spread germs. State law requires you to call the school at 664-4601, before 9:00 AM on the day of the absence.
- ◆ Homework should be picked up or sent home with another student that you requested when calling the absence into the office.



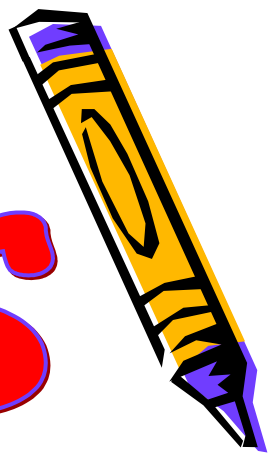
Emergency



- ◆ In case of emergency, each child should have a complete set of clothes here at school in their locker.



Recess



- ◆ Since we have outdoor recess daily (unless it is raining), every child must be prepared with warm outer clothing.
- ◆ A warm coat, gloves, hats and boots (if necessary) are important to have at school.



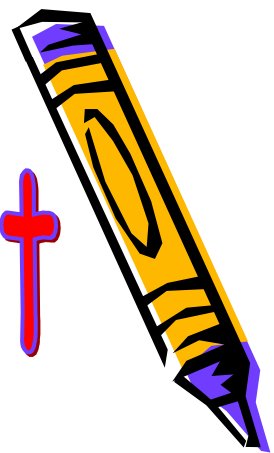
Birthdays



- ◆ Your child may bring a treat to share with the class on his/her birthday.
- ◆ Birthday treats may be of their choice, but school rules require the treat to be “store bought” and not “homemade”.
- ◆ Package must contain nutritional info.



Emergency Contact Sheet



- ◆ I will keep an emergency contact sheet in my room listing your child's emergency numbers in case I need to contact someone during the school day.

- ◆ Illness
- ◆ Emergency early dismissals
- ◆ Accidents



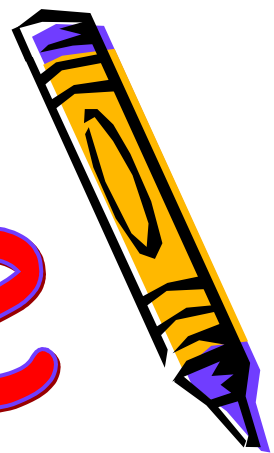
Weekly Classroom Newsletter



- ◆ Every Friday or end of week, I publish a weekly newsletter sharing the classroom events for the upcoming week such as special activities, test dates, as well as, pictures and descriptions of past events in the classroom.



Contact Me



- ◆ Mrs. Laura Patyk
- ◆ Cell phone: 815-488-7672
- ◆ School phone: 815-664-4601
- ◆ District phone: 815-664-4242
- ◆ email address: laurap@sv99.org



Any Questions?

