Welcome to Mrs. McDermott's 4th Grade Class Spring Creek Elementary 2018-2019



I am excited about the upcoming year! I am looking forward to getting to know each student and family. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions!

Attendance:

Students are to line up outside when the bell rings at 8:35. School begins at 8:45 and ends at 3:30. Students should be seated and ready to begin when the tardy bell rings at 8:45. If children are ill, or unable to attend, please arrange to have someone pick up their work if possible. Children are responsible for missed assignments and concepts learned in class so it is important that they keep up as best they can.

(Please refer to our school website for more information on the District attendance policy.)

Class Expectations:

Our class uses a clip chart system to track behavior. Students are rewarded when they make good choices and receive consequences after multiple negative behaviors. Consequences may include missing recess, changing seats, not participating in a class activity etc. If negative behaviors continue, I will call home or send an email letting you know what happened. If something serious happens or if the behavior continues, students will be referred to the office with an office discipline referral form.

Birthdays:

Students may bring a treat to share with the class if they would like to. This is not required! As a reminder, district policy states that treats must be store bought. The end of the day is a great time to bring treats to class (around 3:10). If this is not possible, your child can bring them in the morning and I will save them for the end of the day.

Homework/ Newsletter

A weekly newsletter will be sent home with your student each Monday. Students will be expected to read for at least 20 minutes each night. Students will need to fill out a reading log with a summary of what they read, how long they read, and will need a parent signature. The completed and signed reading log should be returned to school Friday morning for full credit. We will have a reading incentive program if students decide to read more than the required minutes.

Other homework may include work not completed in class.

Supplies

Below is a list of supplies that are useful to have in our classroom. None of these supplies are required, but any of them would be VERY helpful. Any of the following supplies you provide will be added to our classroom supplies and used for all students.

- Pencils
- \$10 field trip donation
- Pencil top erasers
- Glue sticks
- Tissues
- Dry erase markers

- Paper towels
- Pair of earbuds (small enough to fit in a ziploc bag.
- Post-it Notes

<u>Schedule</u>

Mon.-Thurs. 8:45-9:00 Morning work 9:00-10:00 Specialties (Art, Music, P.E., Library, Keyboarding) 10:00-11:00 Math block 11:00-11:30 Writing 11:30-12:10 Lunch/Recess 12:10-1:15 Literacy block 1:15-1:30 Recess 1:30-2:30 Literacy differentiated groups 2:30-3:00 Science 3:00-3:25 Math differentiated groups 3:25-3:30 Clean up/pack up/dismiss

Friday

8:45-9:00 Morning work 9:00-10:00 Enrichment classes STEAM 10:00-10:15 Spelling and vocabulary 10:15-10:30 Recess 10:30-11:00 Math 11:00-11:30 Literacy 11:30-12:10 Lunch 12:10-12:30 Literacy 12:30-1:00 Literacy differentiated groups 1:00-1:30 Class meeting

Please feel free to contact me with any questions! It's my pleasure to work with you and your child!

Mrs. McDermott

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