Welcome to First Grade

Hello, My name is Mrs. Devlin. I am going to be your teacher for first grade. I am really looking forward to the first day of school. Are you as excited as I am? I am sending you this letter to let you know some of the things you can do to get ready for first grade.

Although summer is a time to relax and have fun, don’t forget to learn!

* Remember to practice your letters and sounds. You should be able to name all of the letters of the alphabet and say their sounds. Even when they are mixed up! You should be able to write all upper and lower case letters on your own. Knowing your letters and sounds are important as we will use them to learn to read!
* Practice writing your first and last name. Make sure you are using capital letters where they are supposed to be and the rest are lower case.
* Practice counting objects and writing numbers.
* Practice these sight words. You should be able to read them fast without sounding them out: the, of, and, a, to, in, is, you, that, it. When you get really good at these try this set: he, was, for, on, are, as, with, his, they, I.

We will have recess **outside everyday** in first grade so please wear sneakers. Students will need boots, hats and gloves for winter play daily.

Our first grade supply list is included with this letter. All students will be asked to keep school supplies **at school** and not bring them back and forth from home as they frequently get forgotten or lost.

The main supplies your child will need at home for daily homework will be pencils and crayons. Students will be responsible for bringing a homework folder back and forth daily. Please check it daily for papers.

I can’t wait to see you in the fall. We are going to have an exciting year together and we will learn many wonderful things.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Devlin (Room #104)

School #34

Room 104 School Supply List

* 1 plastic pencil box labeled with name
* 1 pair ear buds for technology
* 2 dozen yellow pencils
* 2 boxes Crayola crayons (24 count) (one for now and one for later)
* 1 box of Crayola broad-line markers
* 1 4-pack of EXPO dry erase markers
* 2 large erasers (ex. Pink pearl)
* 1 plastic “Take Home” folder labeled with name
* A backpack that will fit your Take Home folder
* 2 boxes tissues
* 1 box of zipper sandwich size bags (boys)
* 1 box of zipper gallon size bags (girls)
* 1 pair kids scissors labeled with name
* Glue sticks

Students will keep some pencils, an eraser and 1 box of crayons in their pencil box for daily use at their tables. The rest of the supplies will be stored in the classroom in a labeled zipper gallon bag for use as needed or to replenish supplies.

As school supplies will be remaining in school overnight please be sure you have separate pencils and crayons on hand at home for our daily homework.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer vacation!!!