

Welcome to 1st Grade!



Mrs. Abney
Room #8

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o Good morning and welcome- what's with the masks?



o Let's watch and discuss this short video:



How Can We Stay Safe?



Daily Schedule



Daily Schedule 2020-21



8:00-9:15	Math
9:15-10:10	Specials
10:15-10:45	Intervention / Mrs. Alicea (pull out)
10:45-11:25	Science / Social Studies
11:25-12:35	Lunch / Recess
12:45- 12:50	Brain Break
12:45-12:55	Afternoon Meeting
12:55-1:15	Interactive Read Aloud
1:15-1:25	Phonological Awareness
1:25-2:00	Readers' Workshop
2:00-2:20	Centers
2:20-2:40	Writing
2:40-2:50	Dismissal

Fees and Forms

Computer permission

- o School fees are \$32 which includes instructional supplies, art, and computer
- o Computers will be sent home after the permission slips have been returned and chargers are given

Picture for Remote Learning Days

- o Since my students will only be learning with half of their classmates, I wanted to take a picture of each student to display in the class so we can see each other no matter which cohort students are in. Please let me know if it is ok for your child's picture to be on display in our classroom. I wanted to do this in order to help create a sense of community and togetherness even while we're apart. I am optimistic that one day soon we'll all be together.

Mrs. Dutcher / Teacher Assistant

- o Many of the students already know who Mrs. Dutcher is because she's worked at CEEMS for many years. She's a lifelong educator and a wealth of knowledge. She does an excellent job with the children and knows almost everything under the sun. We are fortunate to have her in our class this year!

Water Bottles



In order to practice safety regulations during this time, the water fountains at school have been disabled to prevent the transfer of germs and possible infection. PLEASE send your student to school with a water bottle that has a sports top like the one above. This kind of top helps to prevent excessive spills which often happen. We ask that you please send water which is easier to clean up and less likely to leave permanent stains in the carpets and clothes. Be sure to let me know if you have any questions.

Morning Procedures

- o Put your book bag on your assigned hook and place your lunch box in it's assigned place
- o Go to your desk and quietly begin your morning work
- o Read quietly at your seat until morning work is over

Bathroom Breaks



- o Students can use the bathroom whenever they need to go. You are encouraged to remain seated during the lesson and there will be opportunities to use the restroom throughout the day
- o Students are asked to tidy up after themselves while in the bathroom
- o Be sure to let an adult know if the bathrooms are untidy

Bathroom Procedures

- o Quietly get up and go to the bathroom any time when the teacher is not teaching- be sure to social distance as you move to the bathroom
- o If the door is closed, check to see if the other bathroom is empty
- o If the door is closed, gently knock
- o Close the door when you go inside the bathroom
- o Be sure to wash your hands appropriately after each visit to the restroom and use the hand sanitizer
- o Return quietly to your seat while remembering to social distance

How We Line Up



- o Numerical Order
- o Each student will have a number which will also be your bookbag hook number

Lunch Procedures

- Lunch is at 11:25 each day and will be delivered to our class
- Students will eat lunch at their desks while practicing social distancing
- Hand washing will be encouraged and monitored
- *MUSIC* to help with eating quietly at the beginning of our lunch period
- When you hear music there is NO Talking, when there is no music you may talk
- Students will tidy up after lunch and wash hands again after clean up is over and prepare for recess

Snack Break

- o Snack is at 2:25 each day and will be delivered to our class
- o Students will eat lunch at their desks while practicing social distancing
- o Hand washing will be encouraged and monitored
- o We will have a read aloud during snack break to encourage eating snack and preparing for dismissal.

Recess Procedures

- o Right after lunch
- o Structured for safety:
- o Ex: 10 minutes stretches/exercises social distanced, 10 minutes walk or run, 5 minutes game like Simon Says, Red Light/Green Light, Statue

Journal

Students will receive a communication journal in order to communicate with me during the remote learning days. The journal will come home with your student during the face-to-face instruction days and they will use it to write questions, observations, share stories and information, etc. with me. The journal is also intended to help develop individual relationships with the students so they can ask questions or whatever they'd like to share. Additionally, it's a great way to practice writing. Students should write in the journal each day during remote learning. They should share at least 3 sentences– don't worry about spelling right now, and illustrations / pictures are encouraged.

Laptop Contracts



Please be sure to complete the contracts for laptops as soon as you get them so that your student can begin bringing home their laptop. Students will be working online during remote learning days. As the year progresses, students will learn how to log in to various digital platforms that they will utilize at home. It is very important that students are careful to take care of the devices so that they can participate in the remote learning and enjoy the live lessons and digital work. You'll receive support from school to make this a smooth process.

Homework/Make-Up Work

- Read for at least 20 minutes each day
- August (monthly) choice board
- Finish any classwork
- Make-up work will be sent home if there isn't time to work on it in class

Classroom Dojo



Classroom Dojo



Please be sure to sign in to Class Dojo using the login instructions received in your child's folder. Throughout the day, I like to share pictures, and information about what we're doing in class as well as upcoming events. This is also where I communicate with parents regarding behavior, classroom concerns, shout-outs, celebrations and anything related to your student. Parents can also send me questions here as well as my email address. Your child will earn points daily as part of our PBIS positive behavior system.

Flexibility

As we begin this school year practicing social distancing and remote learning days, we humbly ask that you remain flexible. Please know that we are doing everything we can to make things as “normal” for our students as possible while keeping everyone safe. There will likely be changes that are made, as this is a process that none of us have ever had to face. Please remain flexible as schedules and procedures may be altered in order to make the remote and face-to-face learning days work. We will try our best to develop routines that will be consistent and lasting. I will let you know if/when anything changes. I am always here to assist in making this work!