



# Introduction to Grade 1 Welcome Parents!

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## We Have Some Exciting Grade 1 Team Updates!

- Over the summer I went from Ms. to Mrs.
- On the Grade 1 teaching team, we are now incredibly lucky have Ms. San in addition to Ms. Magda. Here are some facts about Grade 1's new teaching team member:
  - She from Birmingham, England
  - She is known for flying back a suitcase full Walker's Shortbread biscuits
  - She is Polish history fanatic



# Material Scheduled for This Semester

## English Language

- Reading: reading aloud, story sequencing, listening comprehension
- Spelling
- Grammar
- Writing

## Math

- Skip Counting by 2s, 5s, and 10s to 100
- Addition and Subtraction to 100
- Ordering, Sorting and Comparing objects

## Social Studies

- What Makes Me "Me"
- Important Places
- Changing Roles and Responsibilities

## Science

- Five Senses and Sense Organs
- Living and Non-Living Things
- Growth, Change and Needs of Living Things

## Art

- Artist profiles followed by recreation of works: Rosa Bonheur, Winslow Homer, Joan Miró, Maria Martinez, Norman Rockwell

## Class Events Semester 1

October 2nd - Empathy Day

October 26 - First Grade Pledge Day

November 13 - Thanksgiving Project "Thanksgiving Meal Plan"

December 4 - Christmas Project "I Dare You to Deliver by Christmas"

## Class Events Semester 2

February 19 - "Redesign Your Classroom/School" Project

March 5 - Class Rounds Spelling Bee

March 12 - School-wide Spelling Bee Contest

April 23 - Class Rounds Speaking Contest

May 7 - School-wide Speaking Contest

May 8 - "Plan a Podcast" Project

June 5 - "Mind Your Business" Project

# Material Planned for Semester 2

## English Language

- Novel work *Note the Great* (will be given out prior to Winter Break and read at home during that time, then together at school).
- Spelling
  - Quizzes on Fridays during 1st period
- Writing
- Grammar
- Cornerstone Readings

## Art

- Holidays and Seasons

## Science

- Objects and materials
- Reuse & recycle
- Night animals
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## Math

- Equations and Inequalities
- Canadian Money
- Days, Weeks, Months, and Time
- 2d Shapes and 3D Objects
- Numbers to 100

## Social Studies

- Geography
- Helping Others
- New Experiences

# Assignments in Class

- For subjects math, science, social studies, work done in the Complete Canadian Curriculum book will be graded.
- For language arts, grades will come from spelling quizzes, class projects and the Cornerstone workbook.
- Graded assignments can include quizzes (primarily spelling), independently completed work in our textbooks, projects, etc.

# Grades

- Grades are on a scale from 1-6, with 6 being a perfect score. “0” is put in for absences only. If a student refuses to complete work, a “BZ” is entered in Librus and the work must be made up during consultations and without the possibility of a perfect score.
- If your student is absent for an assignment a “0” will be entered as the grade and changed when the student makes up the work.

*\*\*\*Please do this within 2 weeks of the absence, if possible, so there is no rush before the semester ends!*



# Homework

- Studying for Spelling Quizzes! < Important Side Note >
- Work not completed during lessons will be sent home and due by the next lesson in that particular subject.
- *Any assignment with a score less than 5* can be re-taken. The time for this is on Friday mornings at 8am in the Grade 1 classroom!



# Contact information

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Thanks Everyone!  
Now time for comments and Q&A...  
and remember -

