

The First Grade Times



Curriculum Connection

Welcome to the first week of first grade! This week's focus is about reviewing letters, phonograms and numbers and placement testing in reading and Math. We are also focusing on rules and procedures. This is a big transition year with Specials and longer seat work time. Please be sure to reinforce our classroom rules at home and to talk to your child about "listening" and "following directions". Next week we will begin our reading and writing curriculum and eventually add in the daily 5 and flex grouping in Reading and Math.

Week of August 13, 2012

Mrs. Mans

First Grade

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A note from Mrs. Mans

It has been a terrific first week of school. I have enjoyed getting to know each and every one of my students. This is going to be a great year!

Before school procedures

In order to maintain a safe learning environment we are asking that all students go directly to the playground upon arriving to school. At 8:10 the first bell will ring and then all students will line up next to the first grade sign at the end of the hallway. Your teacher will then come walk you to the classroom. At this time students will take out take home folders and lunchboxes and place backpacks on the racks. All parents who sign in at the office will need to walk your child to the playground and not to the classroom unless you have a pre-arranged meeting with the teacher. Thank you for your help with this process. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your child's homeroom teacher.

Homework

	Reading	Spelling	Math
8/13	Me Stew Bags		
8/14			
8/15			
8/16			
8/17	"Me Doll"		

*Next week we will begin a regular homework schedule!

Dates To Remember

- *Early Release-August 24
- * Labor Day-No School-September 3
- *Mc Teacher night at McDonalds- September 5
- PTSA meeting-Sept. 10
- Early Release-Sept. 14
- Family Movie night- Sept. 14

Volunteer Training

Training is a “must have” for all individuals, including parents, who donate time and/or services in schools or with students on a regular reoccurring basis. If you attended the training last year, you need not repeat it.

Training is on-line this year. Please check the DVUSD web for information or contact Parent & Community Involvement at 623.445.5016 for additional information.

Thank You!

Thank you to all of you for helping your children complete their “Me Stew” bags and “ME” doll homework assignments. They turned out GREAT!!! The children really loved sharing.



Theme: “All about Me”

This week we are getting to know each other and sharing special information in our “Me Stew Bags”. Next week’s theme is – “Friends”

