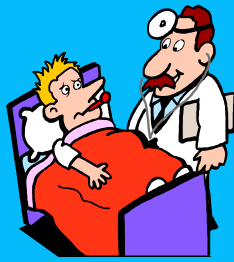


Introduction



- ❖ Mrs. Marlo Hesson
- ❖ Importance of first grade
- ❖ Philosophy: Hands on approach to learning!
- ❖ Parental Involvement!



Medical Alerts



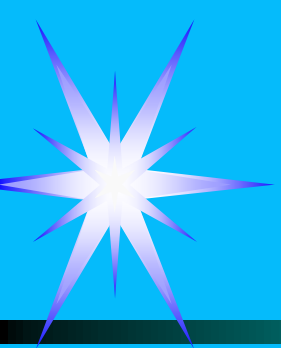
Medicines

You **cannot** send in any medicine to school with your child. If they need to take any medication, please contact Mrs. Karbach (this includes cough drops).



Peanut and Tree Nut Allergies

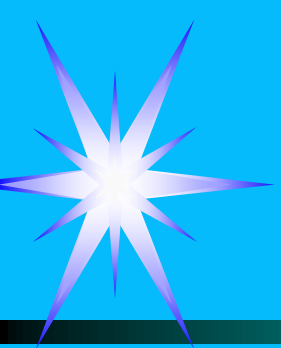
- ❖ We have a peanut and tree nut allergy in our class this year. Please DO NOT send in party treats that contain ANY NUTS.
- ❖ The students may have them for lunch since there is a peanut free table but please remind your child to wash their hands after eating.



Notes



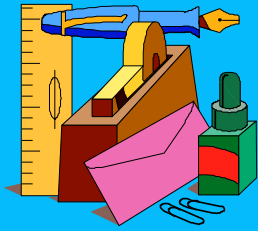
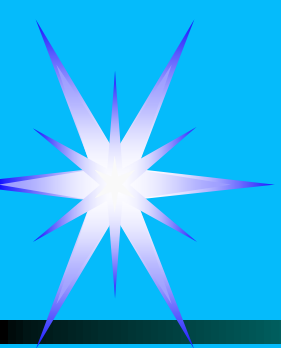
- ❖ Please date any notes that are sent into school.
- ❖ Only send notes that are for that day.
- ❖ You **MUST** send a note if your child is **NOT** going home their normal way.
- ❖ The students can **ONLY** ride home on their own bus. This is school policy!
- ❖ Please tell your child you placed a note in their folder and remind them to give it to me.
- ❖ Any dismissal changes **MUST** be done prior to 2:00 at the latest.



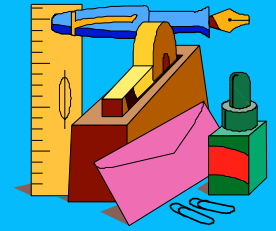
Lunch Money



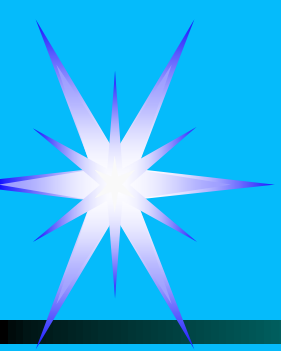
- ❖ Please label your child's lunch money.
- ❖ Please label whether it is for a lunch ticket or just one day.
- ❖ If a student forgets his/her lunch money, they are allowed to charge their lunch. Please send in money the following day.
- ❖ Remember you can pay or check your child's balance on line at <https://www.schoolpaymentportal.com/Login.aspx> (there is a link to this on the district website)



Supplies

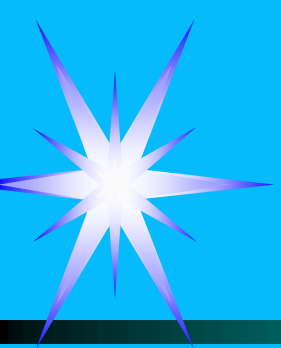


- ❖ The students may need additional supplies such as:
 - ❖ glue sticks, scissors, small box of crayons, pencils, small box of markers.
 - ❖ Headphones may need replacing.
- ❖ Please label any items that are sent into the classroom.
- ❖ Please **NO** large boxes of crayons.



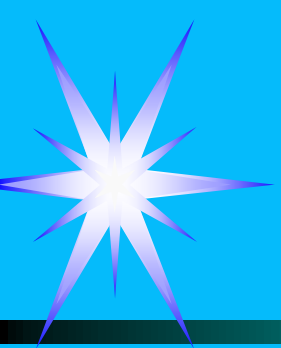
iPad Classroom

- ❖ The students will be using the iPads throughout the school day.
- ❖ This is a school iPad so please refrain from taking pictures or videos on it.
- ❖ **It is very important to make sure they are charged and returned to school everyday.**



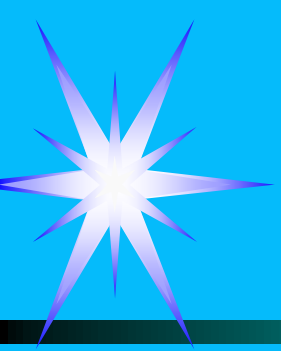
First Grade Curriculum

- ❖ **Wonders:** Five to Six day plan (not always Monday-Friday)
 - ❖ Wilson Foundations
- ❖ **Savvas:** Math Envision Common Core 2020
- ❖ **Science :** Elevate Pearson
- ❖ **Social Studies:** Impact McGraw-Hill
- ❖ **TPE** (teacher physical education)
- ❖ **Specials:** Music, Art, PE, Library & Health



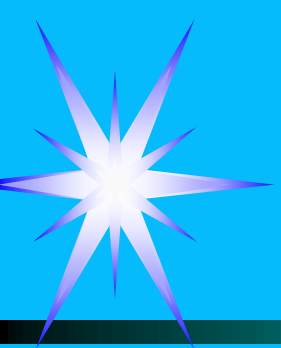
Spelling Tests

- ❖ The list will consist of phonic related words, high frequency words, words from pervious lesson, and some words that will be unknown to the students that will follow our phonic skill for the week.
- ❖ Don't forget to practice your words on [Spelling City!](#)



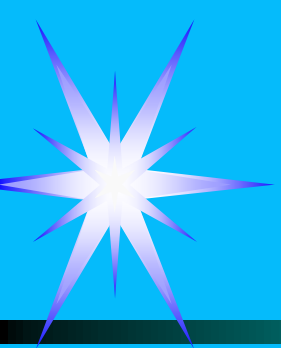
Day 5/6 Tests

The students will be tested on spelling words, phonic skills, language concept, comprehension skill, and sight words for the week on Day 5 or 6. The date of the test will always be listed on the spelling pre-test and appear on the spelling page on my website.



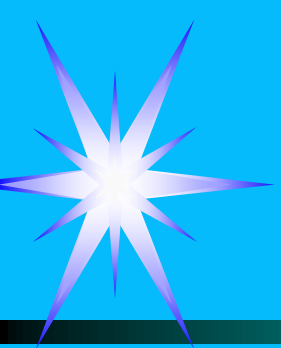
Vocabulary Folders

- ❖ Please review vocabulary words that are in the stamped box with your child. This needs to be signed and returned to school.
- ❖ The students should be able to read, define, and use the word in a sentence.
- ❖ If they have any trouble with a word, please circle it. I will reinforce these at school.

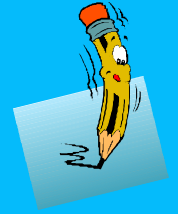


Fluency Binders

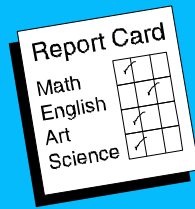
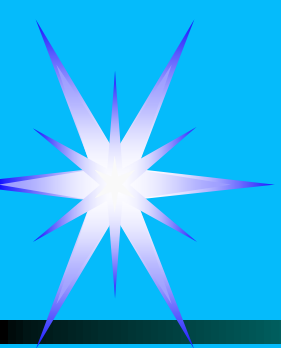
- ❖ When the binder comes home this will be your child's reading homework for that night.
- ❖ If it is a word list, it will directly correlate to the skills taught in class.
- ❖ Your child can choose a couple of their favorite poems or songs to read.
- ❖ They DO NOT have to read the whole binder each time!
- ❖ Please read at least twice to your child, read together twice and then have your child recite.
- ❖ Please sign the front log and return to school the next day.



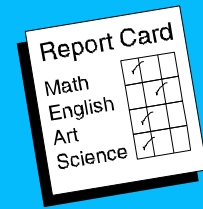
Writing Workshop



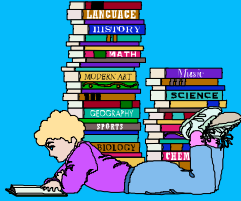
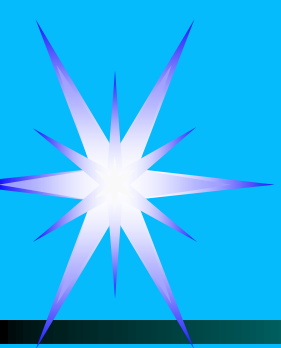
- ❖ The students will write, edit, publish, and share many stories this school year.
- ❖ I need parent volunteers for the following activities:
 - ❖ Conferencing with student authors.
 - ❖ Typing student-made books.
- ❖ I will start conferencing in November. The program runs from 10:00-10:45 the days vary.
- ❖ If you are interested, please out the form you will receive in the earlier email.



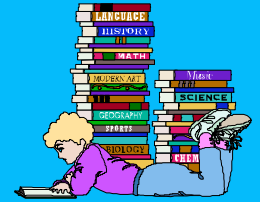
Grading



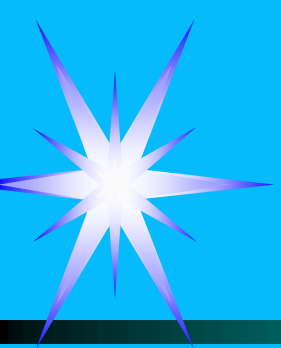
- ❖ There will be NO percentage grades on anything!
- ❖ Our report card is based on the state standards.
- ❖ Stresses developing skills not numerical grade!
- ❖ Report cards will only be accessed by the Parent Portal.



Mystery Reading



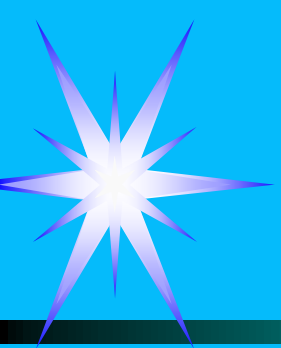
- ❖ This is another chance to get involved, simply by reading to the students.
- ❖ Readers will start in October. Please fill out the form that you received in Back to School Night email if interested.
- ❖ You will receive an email the month prior to when you signed up giving you two dates to choose from that work best for you.
- ❖ You need to discuss book choices with me prior to reading to the class.



Cutting Help



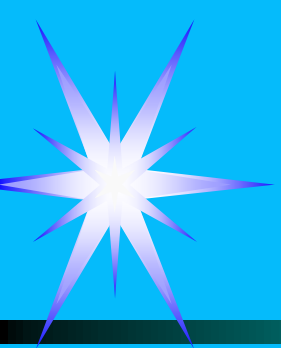
- ❖ I am looking for volunteers that would be willing to cut out art projects throughout the school year.
- ❖ I will send home all the directions and paper that you will need.
- ❖ A "due date" will be on the note so you when to have the items back to school.
- ❖ Again, there will be a form emailed home.
- ❖ Thank you!!!



Book Clubs



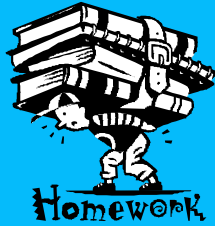
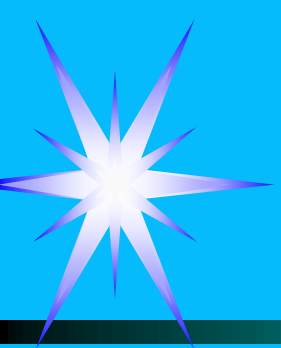
- ❖ We will be ordering from Scholastic.
- ❖ I will send home a link in our weekly newsletter.
- ❖ You will order and pay online.



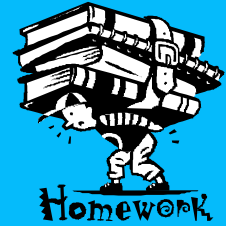
Star Student



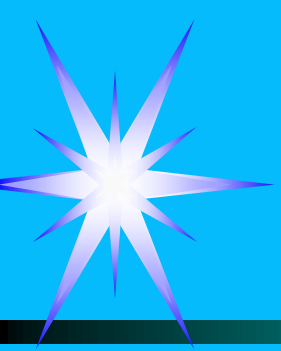
- ❖ A posterboard will be sent home along with a Star Student sheet.
- ❖ Please decorate and fill out the sheet and return to school by the date listed.
- ❖ Students may also bring in some of the following items when they are the Star Student:
 - ❖ Show and tell items
 - ❖ Favorite books



Homework



- ❖ The students are only responsible for the pages that are marked as homework. There will be an HW on the paper.
- ❖ Teacher and students will grade homework.
- ❖ They may have iReady for homework. Please have them work on it for 15 minutes.
- ❖ I will stamp anything that will require your signature.
- ❖ If your child is absent:
 - ❖ I can only send homework home after three days.
 - ❖ Please notify me of vacations at least a week in advance so I can get some work together for your child.



Discipline

❖ Explanation of rules

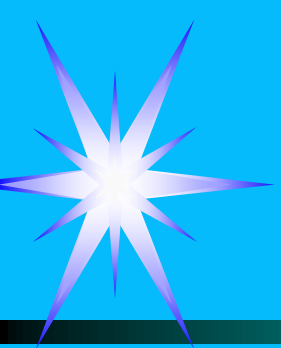
- ❖ (posted in the classroom)

❖ Consequences

- ❖ The students will receive a note home or an email if they are moved to "Houston, we have a problem".

❖ Reward:

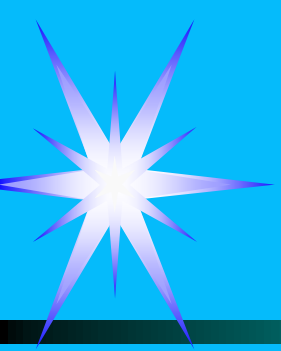
- ❖ Wow board, table winner and "warm and fuzzies" for a class party (PJs, movie, game day).



Communication

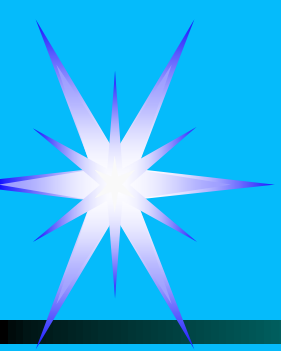


- ❖ I am available from 8:30am-3:40pm. The phone number to the school is 856-767-4888. My extension is 73108. This will give you my voice mail.
- ❖ My email address is Hesson@voorhees.k12.nj.us. I will always get back to you as soon as possible. **If you do not hear from me, there might be a problem with our email system so contact me via phone or call the office.**
- ❖ Please feel free to contact me whenever you feel it is necessary.
- ❖ **[CHECK OUT THE CLASS WEBSITE!](#)**



Extras

- ❖ Sign up for conference
- ❖ Class coordinators
- ❖ Field Trip to Adventure Aquarium
- ❖ Chicks (in **January**)
- ❖ Note to your child
- ❖ Thank you so much for the supplies!
- ❖ Thank you to Mrs. Pocaró, Mrs. Tomasco



Extras

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE
EMPTY THEIR TAKE HOME FOLDER DAILY!!!!

Check their planners every night and return to school.