

Things You Should Know About 1st and 2nd Grade 2023-2024

Arrival: (8:15-8:30) Classroom doors open at 8:15. Please feel free to walk your child in. Please note that the teacher's attention will be focused on the students arriving and making sure that everyone is ready to start the day.

If your child arrives at school AFTER the 8:30 start bell they must check in at the office and pick up a tardy slip. Please note our class goes to PE or Music at 8:35. If your child is late they may miss a big portion of these special classes.

Daily Dismissal: Each day at 3:10 p.m. (2:00 Friday) the first bell rings and the bus riders are dismissed. ONLY bus students are dismissed at this time. At 3:15 (2:05 Friday) the second bell rings and remaining students are dismissed to Kidzone or the car line. **Please be sure that your child's teacher knows his/her dismissal instructions.** This will help to lessen the confusion in the hallways and parking lot. Those students not riding the bus are walked to the outside pick up area/carline in front of the school. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. **If someone else is picking your child up, we will need a written note / email, before we can let them go.**

Communication: When you need to change your child's pick up routine, please do so by calling or emailing the school office BEFORE 2:30 p.m. You may email the information to me at jrich@mgaes.org and I can let your child know about the change. However, please note emails sent to me in the afternoon, often do not get seen by me until after school is dismissed.

Special Classes: Mon/Wed/ – Music Tues/Thurs/Fri – PE
Tuesday—Library

PE: Our PE days are Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. On those days, please be sure that your child wears athletic shoes to ensure his/her fun and safety in class.

Lunch: Lunch time is 11:10 a.m. to 11:45a.m. We will be going to the cafeteria at CAA (across the street) to eat lunch with the other 1st-2nd grade classrooms. If your child forgets his/her lunch please be sure that it is delivered to the school office by 11 a.m.

Students must have lunches that are “ready to eat.” **We are unable to microwave lunches.** Please be sure that your child is able to open up all his/her containers. Remember to provide any utensils needed!

Dress Code: Please note that our dress code states jewelry may not be worn at school. You can access the whole dress code in our school handbook on our website www.mgaes.org

(Turn Over)

Home-School Communication: Each Tuesday your student will bring home a Tuesday folder. Inside will be his/her finished work for you to go over together. There may also be notes from other teachers or announcements of special events. Please be sure to return the folder empty before the next Tuesday.

Tuesday Notes: Each Tuesday you will receive an email from me with all the news!

Water Bottles: Each student needs a water bottle labeled with his/her name to keep at school. On Fridays they will be brought home for a good cleaning.

Snacks: We know that some students are up early and may be hungry mid-morning. He/she will be able to eat a snack at our morning recess (10:15). Please feel free to enclose a snack item in his/her lunch box or backpack.

Birthdays: We love to celebrate. You are welcome to send store bought treats to school. Please note that individual goodies are strongly suggested, the simpler the better. (example: cupcakes, popsicles, cookies) It really helps if you send napkins too. There are currently 20 students in our class.

Birthday Parties: If your child is having a party please do not distribute invitations at school unless the entire class is included.

Thanks for taking the time to read this note! I look forward to being your child's teacher this school year!