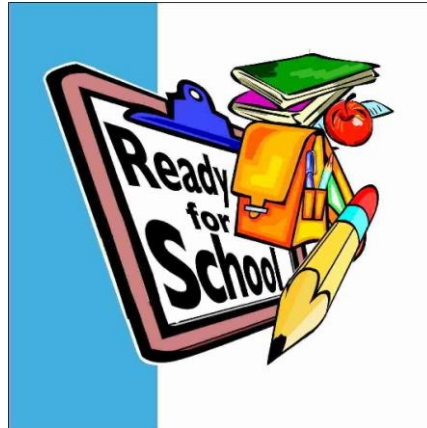


Welcome to Kindergarten



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Welcome to Central Elementary School! I'm excited to be your child's first teacher at our school. I'm looking forward to an amazing year. Please feel free to e-mail me anytime. Sign up for remind.com for short class reminders or information, and don't forget to check my Weebly Page!

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Below you will find helpful information.
If you have additional questions, don't hesitate to ask.

RESTROOM: It is important that your child knows how to properly use the restroom before the start of school. Adults will not be in the restroom with the children. We have one facility in our classroom, but generally, we will go as a class to the one recently added at the back hallway. Instruct your child to close the door, flush the toilet, wash hands and use a small piece of paper toweling, which needs to go into the wastebasket. (Sometimes the kindergarten boys drop their pants to the floor at the urinals, and if the older boys walk through, there are snickers. This is a topic you can discuss with your child.) If your child has a medical problem, let us know, and be sure to keep a change of clothing in the backpack.

Classroom Rule: Be Polite! One rule covers everything. We will talk about this at school and please discuss this rule at home. Make good decisions in the classroom, restroom, hallway and playground.

Room Parents: Volunteers are needed to plan the parties, send in healthy snacks, drinks and paper goods. Please let the teacher know if you are willing to help, plan a craft activity or game. We will not have peanut butter or any snacks with peanut products in the classroom, due to food allergies. Thank you for understanding.

Scholastic Book Orders: Book order forms will come home periodically. If you desire to order books, please return the slip with cash or a check payable to Scholastic. You may also order them online. **Our class code is L4PYY.**

Journal: We will write in our journal almost daily. We sometimes listen to the "Classical Child" tape or other soft music while we are writing, and the quiet writing time is enjoyed by most of the students.

Homework: Monday Homework Packs will be coming home soon with practice activities for the skills for the week. Please sit down with your child and work together for about 10 minutes each evening and return the completed work on Friday morning.

Occasionally, leveled readers will be sent home in Ziploc bags. Please take good care of the books, read them together and return them to school the next day.

Recess: I feel it is best for students to have recess daily. If rules aren't followed at school, sometimes students lose a portion of recess. Remind your child to be on his/her best behavior so he can play the full time during recess.

Special Classes: Our special classes meet this year from 12:30-1:15. That is a good time to call me or plan for a short conference. The schedule will be sent home indicating days for library, gym, art and computer. Please make sure your child has gym shoes and dresses appropriately for P.E.

Computers: We are excited about our computer lab and will be going once or twice each week. We also have two computers in the classroom for students to practice keyboarding skills, along with fun math and reading activities. We will have a small station with ipads also, this year.

Playground: Ask your child about our playground rules. Talk about safety and be sure your child understands that if anyone is hurt to tell an adult immediately. Remind your child to line up quietly the minute the whistle blows and to set a good example for the other children. Flip flops and sandals aren't safe climbing shoes. We prefer tennis shoes and socks for climbers.

Discipline Policy: I expect all students to be respectful to both adults and students in our classroom and in our building. Parents will be contacted if problems occur that interrupt the learning of others in the classroom, or if any bullying is taking place. If you would like a conference, please contact me and I will be happy to meet with you.

My e-mail is: jswingley@sputnam.k12.in.us.

Classroom Rule:

BE POLITE!

Please keep me posted on any changes in your child's life.
We want to have a wonderful, educational, challenging year for your child.

Stay in touch!

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