# Welcome, Parents!

Thank you, thank you, thank you! We are so grateful for your flexibility, patience and understanding as we navigate these challenging times.





#### Introductions

- Mrs. Koteras
- Mrs. Pyne (Integrated Co-teacher)
- Mrs. Lavelle (Reading Specialist)
- Mrs. Mazgai (Speech Teacher)
- Mrs. McQuillan (OT)
- Mrs. Zdyb (Math Specialist)

# Parent Folder

- Your source for classroom information
- Expectations
- Curriculum
- Ways to help your child
- Homework
- Birthdays/Parties
- Discipline
- Other Important Information

# Curriculum

- Reading (ReadyGEN)
- Writing (Notebook, Directed Writing, Learning Centers)
- Math (Math in Focus, Reflex Math)
- Handwriting (printing, cursive and typing)
- Science
- Social Studies (Communities, Citizenship,

Economics, Geography.)

# How to Help With Reading

• Read to and with your child every day!!!

- When your child gets stuck, tell him/her to:
  - 1. Go back and read it again.
  - 2. Think about what makes sense.
  - 3. Look at the pictures.

4. Start the word and see if it "pops" into your head.

5. Make a good guess

• Talk about books!

\*Monthly Scholastic Book Orders (Only online orders accepted)

## **Accelerated Reader**

- Students are expected to take AR tests on every book they read. Encourage accuracy.
- Parents should NOT help with the tests. Students should read and answer the questions on their own.
- They may take tests on books read to them. Click the appropriate selection before taking the test.
- The goal for the end of second grade is **100 points**!

#### Homework

- Read DAILY! Initial calendar in baggie. Write number of minutes. (30+ minutes) Complete Book Log.
- Practice addition and subtraction facts (memorize)
- Various assignments listed in agenda.
- Get agenda signed daily. (initials)

#### If We Go Virtual . . .

- Follow the Schedule found in Google Classroom\*\*\*
- Check-in for Attendance 9:00 daily
- Encourage Self-directed Learning
- These are school days and should be treated as such.

# If your child is quarantined . . .

- Please have your child follow the schedule posted in our Google Classroom. Make do with whatever supplies you have at home until we are able to make arrangements for supply pick-up.
- Be sure that your child understands that work is still required.
- Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

#### Report Cards

- View it on the Parent Portal
- To sign up for the Parent Portal go to the Frontier Central website

#### **Classroom Parties**

- We celebrate Halloween, Christmas and Valentine's Day.
- We will collect \$ for party fun.
- Birthdays Due to Covid and student allergies we will not eat birthday treats in the classroom. Students are welcome to bring goody bags or a prepackaged treat for their friends to take home.

# **Classroom Discipline**

- Rewards and Consequences focus is on the positive with the understanding that there are consequences for bad choices.
- Earn privileges (Earn tickets for a chance at a prize)
- Card System (Consequences)

Green = good day

- Orange = warning (sit out of recess-5 min)
- Yellow = second warning (sit out 10 min)

Red = three or more warnings (no recess)

• Support from home is GREATLY appreciated!

#### Notes to School

- Please keep your child home if he/she is sick.
- Child must have a note when returning to school after an absence.
- Include child's first and last name, date of absence, and reason for absence.
- Call our school nurse if your child will be absent.
- Must be fever free and no vomiting for 24 hours.

### Parent-Teacher Conferences

- Friday, December 10 and Monday, December 13
- Conferences will be held virtually through the link in your child's Google Classroom. Please be on time and do not join early as it may interrupt another conference already in progress. Thank you!
- This will be an opportunity for you to share questions and concerns regarding your child.

#### Contact Me

- Remind App
- E-mail gkoteras<u>@frontiercsd.org</u>
- 926-1760 ext. 6110
- E-mail- <u>kpyne@frontiercsd.org</u>
- 926-1760 ext. 6106

## Let Us Know . . .

- Problems at Home
- Health Issues
- Allergies
- Hospital Visits
- Concussions



Having this information provides us with some perspective and helps us to create a successful plan for your child.

#### Important Info

- Show and Tell every Friday, no weapons, nothing valuable, must fit in a gallon size bag.
- Water Bottles please refill daily
- Practice!-Tying shoes, math facts, money, time, reading, writing . . .
- Sneakers required for the playground
- Halloween no violent costumes
- Voluntary Donations stickers, fun paper, colorful pens, markers, EXPO markers, Play-doh, hand soap
- Lunch Snacks Is your child allowed?

# We Are Moms Too . . .

- We get it!
- Schedules are busy. <u>Sometimes</u> things don't get done. Missing a day of work once in a while is understandable.
- Model honesty when signing calendar and agenda.
- Allow kids to face consequences for not doing what is expected. It fosters responsibility.
- Working together is essential.

Your support is GREATLY appreciated!

Thank you for all that you do!