

Welcome to First Grade

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Ms. Hannah Wates Room 13

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Ms. Justina Leverette Room 15

Sagamore Hills Elementary



Welcome

Dear students and parents,

We would first like to welcome you to the First Grade. We are excited to learn and work with our first grade scholars!! We are excited to be given the opportunity to get to know you and your family this year. Before we begin our journey through First Grade we would like to give you a short overview of our classroom expectations.

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School Website & Class Dojo:

We invite you to visit the school website & Google Classroom weekly to stay updated with any activities that may be occurring. On our Class Dojo webpage you will be able to find our daily schedule, spelling homework, weekly objectives, pictures, and reminders.

Our Webpage URL: <http://www.sagamorehillses.dekalb.k12.ga.us/>

Class Dojo: You will receive login information on how to access Class Dojo soon! Please download the free Class Dojo app to get started.

Digital Resources:

Freckle (<https://www.freckle.com/>)

ReadWorks (<https://www.readworks.org/>)

Quizizz (<https://quizizz.com/>)

Kahoot (<https://kahoot.com/>)

Spelling City (www.spellingcity.com)

Epic! (<https://www.getepic.com/>)

Clever (<https://www.dekalbschoolsga.org/students/>)

Social Studies Weekly

1. Log into Clever (<https://www.dekalbschoolsga.org/students/>)
2. Scroll down and click on SS Weekly (under Social Studies heading)
3. Click on 1st grade newspaper
4. Select teacher (Leverette)
5. Click on weekly assignment

Science Studies Weekly

1. Log into Clever
2. Scroll down and click on Science Weekly (under Science heading)
3. You'll see this at the top...
4. Click on "Science" or scroll down to science newspapers
5. It may ask you to select teacher (Leverette)
6. Click on weekly assignment

Supplies:

- Digital learning device (computer, tablet, or phone)*
- Headphones*
- 1 box gallon Ziploc bags
- 2 pk of pre-sharpened Ticonderoga pencils
- 2 boxes Crayola Crayons 24/box (other brands do not work as well)
- 2 erasers
- 1 pk of cardstock, White, 8 ½" x 11", ~50 Sheets
- 2 boxes of facial tissues 200ct
- 2 hand sanitizer, pump 7oz
- 2 Lysol Wipes
- 1 roll Paper Towels, Roll, 2 ply, ~85 Sheets
- 1 Folder, Plastic, (2 Pocket)

Items with a * are specifically for virtual learning.

Attendance:

Daily attendance is very important to you child's education. Our curriculum moves very quickly and it is very important that your child be present every day in order to be successful. **Students must be logged in by 8:45 am.** When your child is absent they must submit an excuse via email with a written note as an excuse. Any missed work will be communicated with the student/parent the next day. You will be given a weekly schedule of assignments to help with flexibility in the event that your child has to be absent.

GRADING CATEGORIES	*GRADE PROTOCOL		
Formative and Diagnostic Assessments - 0% Assessment Tasks (Skills & Homework) - 25% Classwork (Guided, Independent, and Group Practice) - 45% Quizzes, Tests, and Projects - 30%	A	90 - 100	~P (pass)
	B	80 - 89	~F (fail)
	C	71 - 79	
	D	70	
	F	Below 70	

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW—ELA
Unit 1 - Here We Go
Unit 2 - Telling Our Stories
Unit 3 -Making Connections
Unit 4 -This and That
Unit 5-Going Places
Unit 6-Wonderful World

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW—Math
Unit 1 - Creating Routines Using Data
Unit 2 - Base Ten Number Sense and Understanding Place Value

Unit 3 – Operations and Algebraic Thinking
Unit 4 – Understanding Shapes and Fractions
Unit 5- Applying Place Value to Number Operations
Unit 6- Sorting, Comparing, and Ordering

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW—Science
Unit 1- Weather and Season
Unit 2 – Light and Sound
Unit 3 – Magnets
Unit 4 – Animal Needs and Review and Extension

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW—Social Studies
Unit 1 – Earth’s Topography
Unit 2- Bringing History to Life
Unit 3 – Positive Character Traits and Patriotism
Unit 4- Economics

Curriculum/Assignments:

Students will work with the teacher throughout the week on various learning activities. Work will be accessible for students on Fridays by 5:00 pm for the upcoming week for parents and students to review and get a head start if needed. All assignments (unless specified, projects, etc.) will be due on Saturdays by 5:00 pm.

Virtual Learning Schedule:

8:45-9:00 Announcements

9:00-9:45 Extended Learning Time

9:45-10:30 ELA

10:40-11:25 Math

11:35-12:20 Science (On Thursdays we will have Social Studies at this time instead of science.)

12:20-12:55 Lunch

1:05-1:50 Specials

***We do not have class on Wednesdays. This day will be used for conferencing and planning activities for the next week. ***

Parent Conferences:

Conferencing will be held on Wednesdays of each week during virtual learning.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to call us or send a note. Please do not hesitate to contact me to set up a conference. In order to have a successful school year we must work together.

Birthday Parties:

Birthday parties are not allowed due to food allergies.

Classroom Rules:

Be a good listener

Follow directions

Raise your hand and wait your turn

Ask questions

Keep your hands and feet to yourself

Work quietly

Respect others

Work hard and always do your best

Take care of class materials

Behavior Management:

There is only one rule in our classroom: Respect yourself and others.

Tests:

The majority of test will be held on Fridays. However, if the week ends on a Thursday test will be given that day. Please work with your child with their spelling, math, and reading to help them prepare for these test.

Homework:

TBD

Folders:

*Students will be provided with a daily classwork folder. Students will also be provided with a "Communication Folder" that will be sent home on daily with important information about upcoming events and homework. Please return this folder on the following day that it is sent out.

*The "Communications Folder" folder will contain any graded work and important notes/reminders. Please return daily to avoid any notes being misplaced.

****Folders will be given out when we end virtual learning.****

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Dear Parents,

This syllabus provides important information regarding the procedures of our classroom. Please note that this syllabus will be amended prior to ending virtual learning as we transition back into the classroom. You will receive an updated copy of the revised syllabus in your child's Communications Folder when we return to school. Your understanding and support will help us have a successful school year. **Please sign and return the lower portion of this note via email.** Thank you so much for your support. We are looking forward to a great year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Law 😊

Ms. Hannah Wates 😊

Miss Schlenk 😊

Ms. Leverette 😊

I, _____ have read the procedures and expectations of Mrs. Law
& Ms. Wate's/Miss Schlenk's/Ms.
Leverette's First Grade Classroom.

Signed,

_____ Date _____