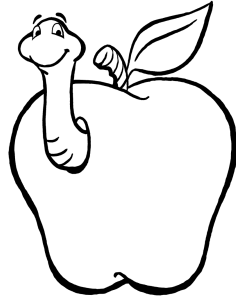


Welcome to a New School Year!



I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you and your child to my classroom. My name is Aggie Adwell and this is my 22nd year of teaching. I thoroughly enjoy working with children and I am very excited to have the opportunity to teach your child. A challenging fourth grade curriculum and a variety of learning experiences wait as we enter into this school year.

Several forms will be sent home this week that I would like for you to fill out and return. I hope to meet each one of you personally at Open House if not sooner. Parent communication is a must in order to ensure your child's success. Fourth grade newsletters can be accessed online (more information to come soon). Thank you for trusting Luhr Elementary with your child's education. Together we will learn a lot and have fun along the way too!

Contact Information: aggie.adwell@jefferson.kyschools.us
Luhr's Number: (502) 485-8295 Please leave a message with the front office, and I will return your call.

Take Home Folders

Each student will have a take home folder that comes home nightly. This folder will contain important letters, graded papers, a behavior calendar, unfinished work, and any announcements that you will need to be aware of. Please take a few minutes to look over your child's folder each night. This needs to be returned each day. I will NOT go through folders. Please have your child show NOTES to me.

Homework

At this time, homework will NOT be assigned nightly and students will not turn anything in on a daily basis. If your child has a device at home, students are encouraged to do our reading and math programs (information and passwords regarding this will come at a later date) . If your child does not have a device, students are encouraged to read nightly and practice his/her math facts/concepts. Working on these skills several times a week will help your child progress more quickly in reading and math. Occasionally a project or study guide will be assigned, or unfinished work may be sent home.

Behavior Calendar

A behavior calendar is attached inside the take home folder. Please initial this each night and feel free to communicate with me in the "Notes" section on this calendar. Your child is expected to notify me of any notes written inside this folder. The behavior codes are also on the calendar and will help you see where your child may need to improve on when it comes to behavior.

Curriculum and Teachers

The curriculum this year will be both interesting and challenging. In addition, your child will have the benefit of working with other teachers as well. Mrs. Huber will teach your child reading and Mrs. Ferrino will teach math. I will teach your child writing, science, and social studies. We, as a team, feel that this departmentalizing will only make us more effective teachers, as we are able to concentrate on fewer subjects each day.



Clipboard Behavior System

(This is used at school and will not be seen by parents)

1. Each student's name will be recorded on a form and placed on a clipboard. The clipboard will be used to chart each child's behavior throughout the school day. Codes will be used to track behavior (For example: T-talking, N-Not following directions, etc.)
2. This clipboard will be passed to Mrs. Huber, Mrs. Ferrino, Mrs. Adwell, and carried in the hallway.
3. There will be positive and negative consequences for the behaviors charted throughout the day. Parents/Guardians will be notified about the behavior(s) through the behavior calendar and/or a phone call/email.
4. This will be a great way to track when and where a student may be struggling behaviorally so that we can effectively create a plan to change the behavior. It will provide great communication between home and school as well.
5. This behavior system is very successful and provides a confidential way of monitoring student behavior.

