Ms. Brady's Fifth Grade Class

Dear Parents/Guardians,

My name is Brady Neel and I am so excited to be your child's fourth grade teacher! We are going to have a great year together.

I am really looking forward to getting to know your child and your family and one of the best ways to do that is to have you in the classroom! We will have lots of opportunities for volunteers this year. If you are interested in volunteering, there are things you can do at home or at school that would be of great help. Just let me know if you are interested in helping and what you would prefer to do! There will be a packet coming home where you will find several forms to fill out, along with the volunteer form. Please get that back to me as soon as possible and I will route to the office. One thing I do ask is that you give me the first two weeks before planning to come in and volunteer, including the first day of school. The beginning of the year is crucial for building community in our classroom, and it is important for everyone that I have that time to get to know the students and for them to get to know me. I will make sure to send a note to all parents once we are ready to have helpers come in. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding!

While I am so lucky to get to spend this year with your child, we all know the most important person in their life is YOU! You are their first teacher, their biggest cheerleader, and their most fierce advocate. Reading at home, asking your child about their school day, checking over their papers and folder, and keeping an open line of communication with me are all ways you can help your child succeed. It is also very important that your child arrives at school on time each day. I have included a schedule in this packet. Please note that our class will have specials first thing in the morning this year, making that on-time arrival even more crucial!

Please look for a take-home folder to come home with your student. This is where you will find your child's homework, graded papers, Aquarian news, and any important notes from me. We will work on the routine of taking folders back and forth from school during the first two weeks of class, so keep your eye out!

If you need to get in touch with me, email is the best way to communicate (neel\_brady@asdk12.org) I check it several times a day and will always get back to you within 48 hours, except over the weekend in which case I will get back to you on the next day of school. If I do not get back to you within this time frame, please reach out again because I might have missed it. We will also be using the Remind App for communication this year. Expect to see more information coming on that soon!

Let's get ready for a wonderful year! Sincerely, Brady Neel