

Mrs. Nguyen's
Kindergarten
Handbook

2009-2010

Stonegate Elementary School

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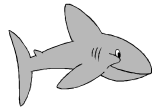
Information About Our Class

Rules in the Classroom



- ☺ Respect others and their property
- ☺ Follow the directions
- ☺ Make good choices
- ☺ Always do your best work

Discipline



A weekly behavior chart is kept in the folder for communication about behavior. There may also be E-mails and phone calls home.

We use a school wide behavior chart to monitor classroom behavior.

Green - student had a great day and did not move card all day

Yellow - Warning #1

White - Warning #2

Red - card moved to red if behavior continues after moving to white - parent notified

Any student that does not move their card all week will be rewarded by getting to pick from the treasure box on Friday.

Another incentive is the classroom "Shark Pool." If 3 or less students move their cards for the day and we get our Spork Flag back from lunch, the students will earn 1 shark to put in the pool. When 10 sharks are in the pool, the students will be rewarded with one of the following: extra computer time, lunch in the classroom, extra recess time, educational video, popcorn, popsicles... The number of sharks in the pool will increase to 15 and then to 20 as the year goes on.

Folders



Folders will go home every day with notes and daily work. Please go through the folder nightly and return the next day. Please put any notes and/or money in the folder to ensure that it reaches school safely. Please look over the weekly behavior chart and sign.

Newsletter



A newsletter will be sent home every month. This letter will inform you of what we have been learning throughout the month and special activities that will be coming up.

Snacks and Water Bottle



Please provide a nutritious snack daily for your child. We eat an early lunch, which makes a long afternoon. Your child may bring a water bottle filled with water to keep at his/her seat.

Show and Tell



Every Friday we will have "Show and Tell." The students may bring in something special to share with the class. This will be the only time toys are allowed, unless I ask the students to bring them in for an activity. To prepare for "Show and Tell" please:

1. Put the object in a bag that no one can see through.
2. Help your child to create 3 clues, so the others can guess what the show and tell is.

Class Parties



We will have 5 celebrations this year: Halloween/Harvest Festival, Thanksgiving Feast, 100th Day, Valentine's Day, and the End of the Year. Letters will go home about each celebration as they get closer.



Birthday Celebrations

Please notify me at least one week before the birthday to set up a date. Parties are held from 2:45 until the end of the school day. Only store bought items can be brought in. No cakes please!!! We are also not allowed to have candles, balloons, hats, horns... You may bring in goody bags for the students that will be given out after the party.



Volunteering

Volunteering will begin in October after the students have had a chance to settle in and our routine is set. At the end of September, I will be sending home a volunteer calendar. You may sign up for the day(s) that you will be able to volunteer. I will then send a master calendar home with the days each volunteer is coming .



Homework

A homework packet will be given every Friday and will be due the following Friday. Please help your child to complete the packet by encouraging your child to write on their own by sounding out the words.

Contacting Me



If you have any questions or concerns throughout the year, please feel free to write a note, e-mail, or phone. In person meetings will need to be scheduled by appointment for before or after school.

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Thank you for your cooperation in helping to make this a wonderful kindergarten experience for your child!

Amy Nguyen (pronounced - win)

"A child's life is like a piece of paper on which every person leaves a mark." ∞ Chinese Proverb ∞