



Grade 1 Newsletter

September – Mrs. Lyons



We will be working on the following outcomes this month:

Literacy:

Reading:

We will review and learn many new reading strategies using Beanie Babies this year to help us become Super Readers! We will use our C.A.F.E Menu (see attached). This month we will learn our first strategy for Comprehension. We will use "Wondering Wolf" to help understand what we read. Good readers ask themselves questions before, during and after they read (who, what, when, where, why, how?)

We will also begin reviewing our Daily 5 (see attached) procedures starting with 'Read to Self' by practicing independent reading, ways to read a book and choosing "Good Fit Books".

Writing:

This month we will work hard on setting up and reinforcing our Writers Workshop routines and begin writing personal narratives ("small moment" true stories.) We will also be working proper letter formation of upper and lowercase letters and neat printing.

Word Work/Sounds:

- Word endings: s, ed, ing
- Review our letter sounds
- Short Vowel sounds (a, e, i, o, u)

Math:

We will review numbers to 10 including:

- proper printing of numerals 1-10
- counting sets up to 10
- comparing sets using words such as "more", "fewer", "the same as"
- subitize ("see in a snap") familiar arrangements of dots/objects up to 5.
- matching numerals to sets up to 10.

Math Unit: Patterning

Students will understand/explain:

- What a pattern is. A pattern repeats itself. We can make patterns using: color, size, shape, actions and sounds.
- Tell you what their pattern is. (square, circle, square, circle) or (clap, snap, stomp, clap, snap, stomp)
- Reproduce/extend a pattern (copy a pattern and tell what comes next)
- Create repeating patterns using 2-4 elements
ABBABBABBABB – **2 elements**
○△□○△□ – **3 elements**
red, blue, green, yellow, red, blue, green, yellow – **4 elements**

Important Reminders

This is friendly reminder to ensure that your child **brings a healthy snack and lunch to school each day.** It is important to have nutritious food throughout the day so that we have a **healthy mind and body (a District policy)!!**

Also, **school begins promptly at 8:20am.** Please make an effort to bring your child to school well-rested and on time! ☺

Please complete/return any forms sent home and be sure to send your child's Student Fee Money as soon as possible.

Upcoming Events:

Thurs. Sept. 5th – First full day for Kindergarten students

Fri. Sept. 6th – "All About Me" Bags due

Tues. Sept. 10th – Milk order due

Mon. Sept. 16th – Picture Day! ☺

Mon. Sept. 30th – \$40 student fee due along with all other forms to be completed. "Orange Shirt Day" (wear an orange shirt in celebration of First Nations Culture)

While we are beginning our learning outcomes in all subject areas, there will be a strong focus this month on classroom/school expectations, along with routines and procedures in our classroom

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September Calendar – Mrs. Lyons



NOTES: Welcome to Grade 1!	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>I'm SO excited to work with you to help your child reach his/her fullest potential in first grade. It's going to be a wonderful year!</p> <hr/> <p>Please be sure to look in your child's Communication Bag daily for any forms that need to be completed and returned to school.</p> <hr/> <p>We hope you are able to attend "Meet the Teacher" night at N.M.S Sept. 11th at 6pm!! See you there! ☺</p> <hr/> <p>Student Fee is due by the end of the month. This money is used to purchase supplies for your child.</p>	<p>2 Labor Day (No School)</p>	<p>3 First Day For Students!</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 "Welcome Back" Assembly</p>	<p>6 "Me Bags" Due</p>
	<p>9</p>	<p>10 Milk Orders Due (Sept/Oct)</p>	<p>11 Meet the Teacher 6pm (begins in Gym)</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 "Blues in the Schools" Presentation</p>
	<p>16 Picture Day ☺</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 National Kindness Day!</p>
	<p>23</p> <p>30 Student Fee Due (\$40.00)</p> <p>"Orange Shirt Day"</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>