

MRS. GREENE–MOORE ’ S FIRST GRADE SYLLABUS

Welcome to our classroom! Please take a moment to review these classroom policies and procedures so I may work more effectively with you to help your child succeed this year.

Thank you!

CONTACT INFO:

You can contact me using my email (mooreha@boe.richmond.k12.ga.us) or using the ClassDojo app. Please ensure all parents/guardians join my ClassDojo for any reminders or updates as well as questions or concerns as it is our school's primary source of communication.

HOMEWORK

It is recommended that first grade students set aside a minimum of 20 minutes per day for homework on a regularly scheduled basis. Homework assignments will be given at the beginning of each week and collected on Fridays. I will send out a reminder about homework on ClassDojo as well as posting assignments on Canvas. Homework includes a Foundations dictation with help of a parent or guardian as well as completing at least one iReady. Math worksheets will be sent home on an "as need" basis.

Examples of homework assignments

- Foundation dictation worksheets
- Math worksheets
- Spelling/sight word or vocabulary word practice
- School projects

AT HOME TECHNOLOGY

Laptops will only be sent home with students who return the signed Technology Agreement form. Laptops are allowed to go home daily. Laptops should return daily as we use them throughout the day to complete tasks and assessments. If students have access to a device at home, they should be encouraged to go on iReady and complete either math or reading lessons when they can. Students are also encouraged to read assigned books on MyOn and complete work on Canvas. If any students are unable to login, you can contact me to provide you with the username and password for the student.

MONEY

All money sent to school with your child must be in a sealed envelope or Ziplock bag labeled with your child's name, homeroom teachers name, and reason for the money. I allow the students to purchase items in the lunchroom ONLY on Fridays or Birthdays.

BIRTHDAYS

Everyone loves celebrating birthdays, especially first graders! You may celebrate your child's special day by bringing in cupcakes or cookies. You may choose to bring them in first thing in the morning and we'll pass them out during lunch or you may choose to bring them at lunchtime (11:10) and help pass them out yourself. Just realize that we only have 30 minutes for lunch and other classes will need to be seated in our seats when our lunchtime is over. **Please note that no balloons are allowed.**

ABSENCES and TARDIES

It is very important for your child to be at school every day. Whenever your child does need to be out for a whole day or part of a day, please send a note explaining the reason. The note can be from the doctor or dentist or a note from you. School doors open at 8:50a.m. and students are tardy at 9:20a.m.

CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS

- **Self-Control:** Students show self-control by raising hand and not calling/yelling out in class, remaining in seat, and keeping hands to themselves.
- **On Task/On Time:** Students automatically get a point every day for arriving on time! As students clean their desks off and show preparedness during transitioning, they may also get another point for On Time. Students may also be rewarded an On Task point for remaining focused during class when completing assignments or activities.
- **Acceptance/Respect:** Students will be awarded points by showing respect and accepting behavior to other students and adults.
- **Hallway:** Students may be awarded points for demonstrating exceptional hallway behavior. The Belair K-8 expectations for the hallway are to walk quietly in a straight line with hands off the wall or other students.
- **Completing Assignments:** Students may be rewarded Dojo points when completing and turning in assignments on time.
- **Appropriate Use of Technology:** Dojo points will be rewarded to students showing On Task behavior and appropriate behavior while using devices in class. Appropriate technology behavior includes:
 - Only doing the assignments assigned or on apps that was permitted in class.
 - No snacks or drinks on the desks while devices are out.
 - Headphones are on at **ALL** times as to not distract or impair other students from learning and remaining on task.
 - Not hitting, smacking, or other destructive behavior to the device when frustrated.

Students may lose points when these expectations are not met.

BEHAVIOR SYSTEM

We will be using ClassDojo's as the primary source of communication as well as to track behavior. Students will be awarded points for showing SOAR behaviors (Self-Control, On-Task and On-Time, Acceptance, and Respect) and lose points when not displaying these expectations. Students with 30 points at the end of each month will be allowed to attend a SOAR party. There will also be a SOAR store for students to spend any excess Dojo points they may have earned.

TRANSPORTATION POLICIES

Students who ride a RCSS bus will receive and wear a RCSS Transportation Tag. Transportation changes must be provided to the teacher in written form or through DoJo. Written, signed notes may be sent with a student, delivered to the teacher that morning. After 2:45, please contact the school office (706-220-2403) for any transportation changes. If a written form of notification is not received, the student will go home the regularly scheduled way.

GRADING SCALE

Standards based report cards provide parents, teachers and students with more accurate information about students' progress toward meeting standards. Parents will be more aware of what their children should know and be able to do by the end of each grading period. The report card for grades K-3 will include a grading scale (1-4).

1- Beginning Learner

2-Developing Learner

3-Proficient Learner

4-Distinguished Learner

The following link is to all the first-grade standard based rubrics

<https://www.rcboe.org/Page/33783>