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! ~ Ms. McRae

* Contacting the Teacher: You can contact me using my email (mcraeaj@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.
1. Homework: Homework assignments will be given at the beginning of each week and collected on Fridays. I will send out the homework on ClassDojo as well as posting assignments on my class website. Math worksheets will be sent home on an “as need” basis.
2. At Home Technology: Laptops will only be sent home with students on Asynchronous days if they return the signed Technology Agreement form. Parents are allowed to decline laptops being sent home but are responsible for providing appropriate devices for students to complete their assignments on these Learn from Home days. Assignments MUST be completed for students to be considered present. A regular device is recommended for home so that students will have access to iReady, MyOn, ST Math, First in Math, and other great online resources that are used in the classroom.
* Take-Home Folders: Take home folders will have the homework as well as any sent home documents or fliers. I will also include a copy of each students’ login username and password as well as a QR code to access Launchpad. **PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE THESE FROM THE FOLDER.**
* Behavior: 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 (Steadfast, Optimistic, Accountable, and Respectful) and lose points when not displaying these expectations.
	+ Steadfast: Students always try their best and work hard to complete tasks independently and/or collectively.
	+ Optimistic: Acting and speaking positively while setting and working to achieve their goals.
	+ Accountable: Students are responsible for their actions and can admit mistakes or show forgiveness to others.
	+ Respectful: Students are respectful to their peers, teachers, school, and learning environment.
	+ Hallway: Students may be awarded points for demonstrating exceptional hallway behavior. The Belair Elementary 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 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.**

* Water Bottles and Snacks: Students are highly encouraged to bring water bottles. Water fountains are available to refill bottles if you want to keep a water bottle at school throughout the week. We do not have time to stop by the water fountain as a class after recess, so I always tell students to bring a water bottle. Note, that juices and sodas will not be allowed to stay at their desks. Snacks will not be provided, but students can bring a small snack from home.
* Reading: Please encourage your students to read at home for at least 10-15 minutes a day! They can read to a parent, sibling, or any other family member or have someone read along with them.
* Wishlist: Page Protectors Baby Wipes Tissues Band-aids

 Printer Paper Hand soap

 Let’s make this an amazing year!