

Welcome to sixth grade! My name is Mrs. Meg Melissen, and I am very excited to have you as my student this year! I have been teaching at Cold Spring for 20 years. I started as a 1^{st} grade teacher, had fun teaching 3^{rd} grade and have been teaching 6^{th} grade for the past two years. For some of you, this may be your second time having me as your teacher \bigcirc . As a sixth grader, you will participate in many new and fun learning activities. My goal is to help you make this your best school year ever!

We will get to know each other very well over the next year, but here are a few things for you to know about me. When I have free time, I love to spend it with my husband and daughters, Molly (18), Sophie (16) and Grace (12). We love to go to the beach, pool and play outdoors. We spend a lot of time with our extended family and friends. I can't wait to learn more about you!

During the 2021-2022 school year, the Home and School Association will purchase assignment books and a subscription to a current events magazine (*Time for Kids*) for all students. We thank the HSA for their continued support! I have generated a list of items you will find helpful this school year. These items are recommended.

- ✓ 1 soft zipper pencil case with the following items: 2 highlighters, a box of no. 2 yellow Ticonderoga pencils, box of thin colored pencils, 4 different colored gel pens, 1-2 large white Elmer's glue sticks, 2 dry erase markers and eraser
- \checkmark 3 spiral notebooks with pockets for loose papers (vary color or design)
- ✓ 9 by 11 Sketch book for Art class (last years will work)
- \checkmark One 7 subject accordion plastic folder
- ✓ Headphones in a zip-lock bag, labeled with your name
- ✓ 1 independent reading book
- \checkmark 2 boxes of tissues, 1 container of Clorox disinfecting wipes (donations are greatly appreciated)

Parents, home and school communication is very important to me. I will be available as of August 25th to discuss any questions or concerns you may have. You can send me an email at mmelissen@cbsd.org. In addition, Back to School Night for 6th grade parents is on *Tuesday*, September 14th at 5:45. I look forward to meeting you!

Don't forget to bring a *nutritious snack* every day for our snack break. It will provide your body with some extra "fuel" to help make the afternoon more productive. Our classroom number is room 204. I cannot wait to see you on the first day of school. Enjoy your summer and get ready for an exciting year. The first day of school is *Monday, August 30th*. I'm anxious to begin our sixth-grade adventure together!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Melissen 😊