



August 2023

Dear First Grader,

Welcome to First Grade! My name is Mrs. Stapp, and I will be your teacher this year. I am so excited to meet you and to begin our fun-filled year of learning together. This will be my ninth-year teaching first grade at Bridge Valley and my twelfth-year working in Central Bucks!

I can't believe that a new school year is just around the corner! This summer sure has flown by. I hope you are having lots of fun and making some special memories with your families and friends. I can't wait to hear about the fun things you are doing!

I have been enjoying my summer so far! I have two little boys at home named Jackson (4 years) and Henry (1 year). We have been very busy swimming, playing outside, and visiting friends and family. We just got back from a big trip to Grand Teton National Park and Jackson Hole, WY! I can't wait to tell you all about the animals we saw!

We are going to have an awesome year together! First Grade is the best because you will quickly become an amazing reader. I am so excited to share all of my favorite books with you. This year, you will also write in your journal and share it with your family. In math, we will explore numbers and become experts at adding and subtracting. You will have so much fun in Library, Music, Gym, Art, and Quest, too! It is going to be so great!

I would love to learn a little bit about you before the first day of school. Please ask a grown-up to complete this quick survey. This information will be very helpful for me as we get ready for our first week together.



Use the camera app on your phone to follow the link!

A few more important updates and reminders are on the back! 

A few updates and reminders for grown ups at home...

- Please pack a healthy snack and (leak-proof!) water bottle each day. Some first graders have a hard time discriminating between their “lunch” and their “snack” in the beginning. It may be a good idea to point this difference out to your kiddo or pack them separately.
- Before the first day of school, I invite you to come to our **Open House on August 31st from 2:30-3:30pm**. This is a perfect time for your first grader to say hello, see their classroom, and drop off any supplies. **If you cannot attend, please let me know so I can leave their first day name tag (with transportation information) in the office for you to pick up.**
- Don't forget to mark your calendars for these important dates:
 - September 5th- First Day of School 😊
We are an “A” School. This means the doors open at 8:15am. The day begins at 8:35am. Dismissal begins at 3:15pm
 - September 11th at 6:15pm-First Grade Back to School Night
This is designed to be for adults only. Please do your best to arrange childcare for this evening. The presentation is about 30 minutes in length.
- I check my email periodically over the summer. If there is something important that I need to know, please email me at astapp@cbsd.org

I am looking forward to meeting you soon. Enjoy the rest of your summer and get ready for a wonderful year in First Grade!

Sincerely,

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