

Dear Families and Students,

Welcome to Sixth Grade! My name is Mrs. Michelle Murray, and I will be your child's teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. This is my 19th year at Mill Creek Elementary. I am excited to have the opportunity to be your child's sixth grade teacher this year and welcome you and your child to Team Murray. I am very grateful to be working in this district and community. Sixth grade is a magical year, full of adventures and new experiences. When students enter sixth grade, they will become scientists and investigate the world around them! In Science, students will learn about Forces and Motion, Cells and the Human Body, and Astronomy. The adventure continues as we travel through history. Our Social Studies topics will include Early Man, Mesopotamian Kingdoms, and Ancient Egypt. Reading will be a time to explore different novels as a class and your child will experience a variety of reading genres (realistic fiction, fantasy, historical fiction). We will be learning strategies to apply in both fiction and non-fiction texts. In Language Arts, we will work together to become risk taking writers and presenters. Sixth grade is truly a year where students come into their own and learn how to be confident, independent learners by learning not just the content, but how to study and what works best for their learning style.

I encourage you to contact me with any questions or concerns you or your child may have. Feel free to email me at mmurray@cbsd.org. I'll be happy to answer any questions and ease anxieties as best I can. Enjoy the final weeks of summer! Create some wonderful family memories, relax, and enjoy the summer weather, and be ready for a new and fantastic sixth grade year. I can't wait to see your child on the first day of school and hear about all your exciting summer adventures. **Please plan to send a picture of something your child did this summer to school the first week so we can create a bulletin board.** I look forward to working with you and your child and I hope to meet everyone on **Thursday, September 11th from 7:30-8:10 at Back-to-School Night.** Welcome to Team Murray!

Kindly,

Michelle Murray