

Dear 6K,

**Welcome to SIXTH GRADE!** I was so thrilled to meet you today. I am so excited to be your teacher next school year and I look forward to having YOU in my class! I cannot wait to get started on our path of learning together beginning Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>!

I am so thrilled to have you in my classroom! I love to learn and hope my enthusiasm for learning and using technology is contagious. I have four children, Kevin who is six years old and turning seven in August. Caroline and Brendan are twins who are currently 4 years old. My youngest, Olivia, will be two years old in July! Mrs. Kelly and my kids are the “smile of my heart”, and I will be sure to share some fun photos and stories from time to time about my family with my “Butler Family”. During my free time, I take pleasure in spending time with my family and friends, exercising, coaching swimming at PSC High Point, and creating technology projects. To learn more about me, I encourage you to visit our school website and click on grade six. There, you will find a link to our classroom website. Be sure to save our class website to your “FAVORITES” and visit often for all the latest news for our classroom.

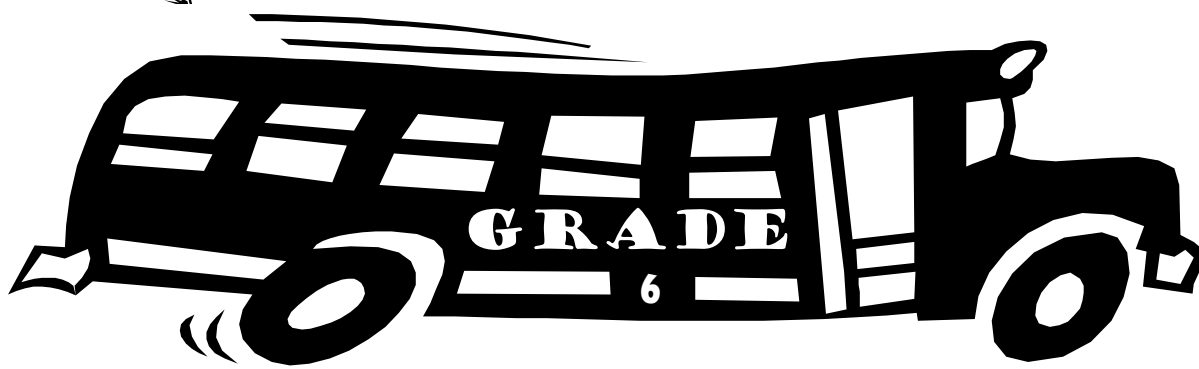
Your sixth grade year is going to be an exciting year. The other sixth grade teachers and I have many exciting activities and learning opportunities planned for the year. Each day will be full of new experiences, challenges, and growth. I will do my part to help you become “GRITTY and “GROW”. I’m counting on you to do your part, so that you can take pride in your success and achievements. We will continue to build upon and expand our math, reading, and writing skills. In social studies, we will learn about the Pre-History (Archaeology/Early Humans), Ancient Sumer and Mesopotamia, and Ancient Egypt. In science, we will study Pollution, Human Body, and Earth Changing Surfaces.

During the remainder of your summer break, you can help prepare for sixth grade by reading independently, writing, and practicing your standard algorithms for multiplication and division. Families, please email me your desired email address or addresses for communication. If you email me, I can send you links from the Central Bucks School District that give ideas of what you can do during the summer to get ready for sixth grade including a book suggestion list for your summer independent reading.

I look forward to hearing about your summer and your dreams for sixth grade. I will be sure to have our room ready, and I appreciate your efforts and your family’s efforts in buying your school supplies. I have included a specific list of supplies on the back of this letter. If you have any questions about any of the items, feel free to email me ([skelly@cbsd.org](mailto:skelly@cbsd.org)). Enjoy the remainder of your summer break and I will see you soon!

See you again in September!

Mr. Kelly 



## General First Day Information

Please email me at [skelly@cbsd.org](mailto:skelly@cbsd.org) the following information as soon as you can so I can create an email address book for our classroom. This will allow me to send information electronically in a timely way including over the summer!

- **Student and Family Name** – Please tell me the preferred spelling and pronunciation of their name.
- **Email Addresses** - I will be creating an electronic mailing service for general communications (you can send me more than one address). I am really encouraging the use of email communication as it is quick and direct. If you do not have Internet access, please write me a note. I will send home important updates via your child's homework folder and assignment book.
- **Homework Buddy** - reliable and dependable contact person to bring home assignments when your child is absent. I need to know the child's name and their homeroom teacher. If you wish to pick up assignments at the office, please indicate that preference.
- **Means of Transportation** - Bus (include number if possible), Car, Walker
- **Family Count** (Family Count goes home with the oldest or only child in Butler) - Yes or No. Is your child the oldest or only child in Butler?
- **Any other information you feel would be valuable** - I would love to hear from you and hear about your summer and about the excitement you have for the upcoming school year. You could also add your summer story or excitement for the upcoming school year on the guest book page of our website. I hope to hear from you!

### Mr. Kelly's Sixth Grade Supply List

- One sewn bound marble composition book – Writer's Notebook
- A three-subject notebook – Reading
- 1 package loose-leaf paper (wide rule, three-hole punched)
- One Glue stick
- One pack of pencils
- One pair of scissors
- One pack of red ballpoint pens
- One set of colored pencils (12-pack) with name on box
- One box of tissues
- 4 dry erase markers
- Ear buds for Computer Lab
- One spiral bound art sketchbook – can reuse last year's sketch book.

**Make sure to LABEL YOUR SUPPLIES!**