

Welcome to Gilles-Sweet

First Grade Parent Orientation

May 21, 2018



Welcome to Gilles-Sweet!

Parents will:

- ★ View a short presentation
- ★ Visit a first grade classroom
- ★ Ask questions



Main Office Information:



- ★ Mrs. Barb Brady - Principal
- ★ Mr. Matt Krivak - Associate Principal
- ★ Mrs. Sandy Vetrovsky - Secretary
- ★ Mrs. Candace Ristagno - Secretary
 - Mrs. Jeanne Johnson- Secretary 2018-2019

Contact Information:

440.356.3525

School Counseling Information:

Meredith Schulte - School Counselor

Robin Schlesinger- School Counselor



- ★ The school counselors are here to help promote an overall positive school climate as well as support students with academic achievement and social/emotional development (ie...friendship, self-esteem, parents divorced, academic struggles, etc...)
- ★ Olweus Bullying Prevention Program
- ★ PBIS~ Warrior P.R.I.D.E.
- ★ Please contact Meredith or Robin at any time with questions or concerns about your child!

Attendance:

Studies show...



- ★ Developing a habit of good attendance will help your child do well in school, college and work
- ★ Attendance matters as early as kindergarten
- ★ Though some absences are unavoidable, too many can affect student success, whether the absences are excused or unexcused
- ★ Setting a regular bedtime and morning routine will help with being on time to school
- ★ Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school and themselves!

STEAM:

- ★ Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math
- ★ STEAM room
- ★ Various kits
- ★ Consumable items for engineering



Technology:

- ★ iPads for each student in the classroom
- ★ technology teacher to assist with projects
- ★ computer lab / Lego WeDo



A few apps we use in 1st grade:

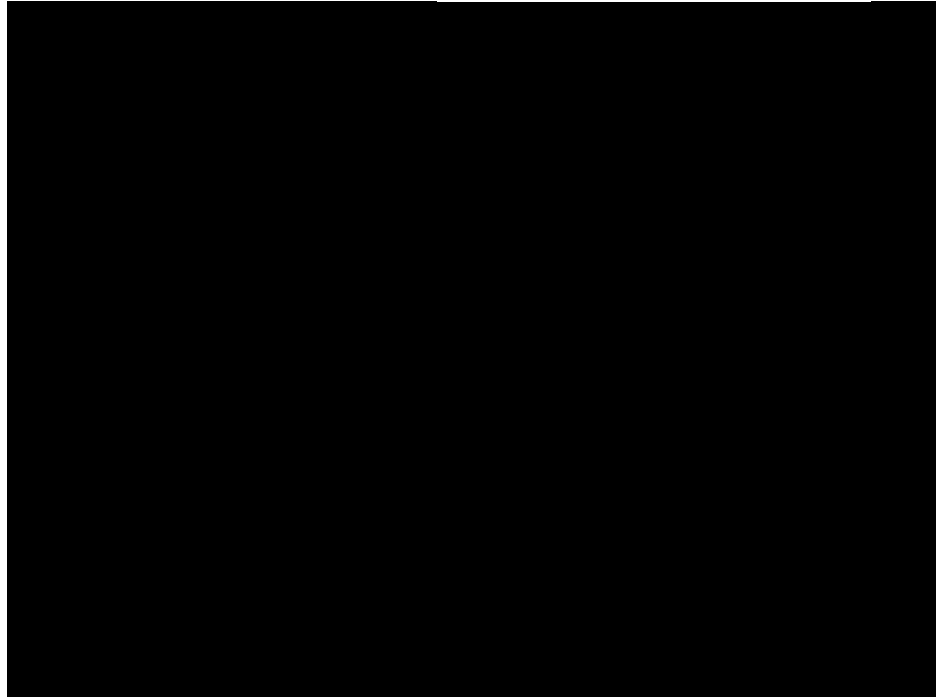
- ★ Explain Everything
- ★ My Story
- ★ ChatterPix
- ★ Prodigy
- ★ Strip Design
- ★ iMovie
- ★ Kids A-Z
- ★ Word Cloud
- ★ Coding apps: Kodable, The Foos, Scratch Jr., LightBot



Student Digital Portfolios:



- ★ Daily work will be posted on SeeSaw
- ★ Best and brightest project work posted on student Edublogs



Arrival:



- ★ Students may arrive between 8:25-8:40
- ★ Breakfast will be served starting at 8:00 in the cafetorium
- ★ First bell rings at 8:25 and tardy bell rings at 8:40
- ★ First graders will enter through North West door

Dismissal:



- ★ 2:50 Car and van riders dismissed
- ★ 2:55 Bus riders, bikers, and walkers dismissed
- ★ Parents will complete school transportation survey

Need to know info....

- ★ Specials rotate on a seven-day schedule:
 - Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Indigo, Violet
 - Color calendar schedule available on school website

- ★ Specials include:
 - library, art, music, and phys. ed



Need to know info....

School Supplies:

- ★ A general school supply list will be sent home at the end of the year.
- ★ Additional supplies may be needed based on individual teacher needs.
- ★ Convenience option this year: Pre-order supplies through PTA



Back to School Fair - August 20, 5:30-6:30

Students will be able to:

- ★ Bring in their school supplies
- ★ Visit their classroom
- ★ Tour Gilles-Sweet with their family
- ★ Practice arriving and leaving school
- ★ Visit with last year's friends



Back to School Fair - August 20, 5:30-6:30

Parents will be able to:

- ★ Complete "Beginning of Year" data forms online
- ★ Learn about Gilles-Sweet PTA
- ★ Set up "PayFort" accounts



First Day of School - August 22nd

Students will:



- ★ Enter school building on his/her own
 - ★ Go to their first grade classroom
 - ★ Be introduced to class routines and rules
 - ★ Talk about first grade and have fun!
- ★ *There will be lots of volunteers ready to assist!*

Meet the Teacher Night - August 28th 5:45-6:30

Parents will:

- ★ Meet the first grade teacher and staff
- ★ Learn about the first grade curriculum
- ★ Sign up for parent/teacher conferences
- ★ All parent meeting after from 6:30-7:00 with Mrs. Brady and Mr. Krivak



Cafeteria:

- ★ Breakfast: Paid Breakfast \$1.25, Reduced Breakfast \$.30

Hot or cold breakfast available: 8:00-8:25am

Grab & go: 8:15-8:45am

- ★ Lunch: Paid Lunch \$2.60, Reduced Lunch \$.40

Hot Lunch, Grilled Cheese, PB & J, Chef Salad, Extras, Milk only

- ★ Milk a la carte for all meal statuses: \$.50

★ There will be additional help during the first few days

★ Account set-up online for payment through "PayForIt" or you can pay by check or cashier's check



Recess:



- ★ Students will go out for a 20 minute recess daily, except in rain and **very** cold weather. Make sure to dress for the weather.
- ★ Please send in an extra change of clothes and label everything.

During the first week of school...

Students will:

- ★ Learn daily classroom routines
- ★ Learn school and classroom rules
- ★ Practice fire, tornado, and safety drills
- ★ Meet various teachers and staff
- ★ Tour school building



First Quarter of School:

Most students will be able to:

- ★ Read stories at a guided reading level D or higher
- ★ Write at least 1-2 basic sentences with proper capitalization and punctuation
- ★ Count to at least 100 (by 1s, 5s, and 10s)
- ★ Identify pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters and their values



Second Quarter of School:

Most students will be able to:

- ★ Read stories at a guided reading level F or higher
- ★ Write at least 2-3 complete sentences with proper capitalization and punctuation
- ★ Count a collection of pennies and dimes
- ★ Can solve addition and subtraction word problems within 20



Third Quarter of School:

Most students will be able to:

- ★ Read at a guided reading level H or higher
- ★ Write 3-4 sentence stories with proper capitalization and punctuation
- ★ Count a collection of coins of pennies, dimes, and nickels up to .99 cents
- ★ Tell time to the hour
- ★ Understand place value (10s and 1s place)



Fourth Quarter of School:

Most students will be able to:

- ★ Read a guided reading level J or higher
- ★ Write 4-5 sentences with proper capitalization and punctuation
- ★ Partition shapes into equal parts
- ★ Tell time to the half hour



End of First Grade:

Most students will be able to:

- ★ Read a variety of books independently with fluency and is able to comprehend the text
- ★ Can count a collection of pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters up to .99 cents
- ★ Have a basic understanding of measurement and fractions
- ★ Understands the value of 1s and 10s



5 ways to help your child succeed in first grade...

1. Get a head start:

Introduce some first grade curriculum to your child over the summer:

- ★ reading
- ★ math games
- ★ sight words
- ★ Discuss books (character, setting)



5 ways to help your child succeed in first grade...

2. Read, read, and read:

- ★ Repeated reading
- ★ Story elements
- ★ Vocabulary (discuss word meaning)
- ★ Sight words



5 ways to help your child succeed in first grade...

3. Encourage Trying:

- ★ Encourage independence
- ★ learning from mistakes
- ★ "You can do it" approach



5 ways to help your child succeed in first grade...

4. Send them off on the right foot:

- ★ Good, nutritious breakfast and lunch
- ★ Healthy amount of sleep
- ★ Backpack prepared: take-home folder, homework, library books, lunch, etc.



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5. Be involved:

- ★ Communicate with the teacher
- ★ Look through your child's backpack/red folder each night
- ★ Ask your child what they are currently learning



Helpful Links:



★ [District Webpage](#)

★ [ODE~ Parents](#)

★ [What parents should know about common core](#)

★ [Common Core~ ELA Standards](#)

★ [Common Core~ Math Standards](#)

Questions...



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