



Finch Friends Welcome



Welcome to our classroom! Our walls may be very bare now, but soon they will be covered with student's work and learning! We will integrate content areas and will include many hands-on learning experiences. I strive to provide children with a learning environment based on current research in education.

**Reminder that school starting time is 7:50 and ending time is 2:35.

Helpful Hints: Classroom projects and student work/presentations replace traditional Show and Tell. Children may bring books, their own writing, nature objects, and science experiments to share with the class. **Please keep all toys at home**, this includes trading cards and fidget spinners. I have a classroom basket of fidgets for students to use, as needed. My early childhood philosophy of interactive learning experiences requires that children wear comfortable clothing to allow for a variety of activities such as art and daily exercise.

Homework/Spelling: We will begin weekly homework and spelling words in a few weeks.

Snack time is optional for students. They can bring their own HEALTHY snack each day. We will have a mid-morning snack. Students may keep a water bottle for hydration. Also, students are welcome to bring a snack for every student in the class to celebrate their birthday.

Specials Classes: We will be having a three-day rotation between Physical Education (Mrs. Huhn), Music (Mr. Rockafellow), and STEAM (Mr. Bentley). **It will be helpful for your child to wear or bring tennis shoes everyday.** For your child's safety, please do not allow them to wear flip-flops to school. Our class will visit the school library once a week with their classroom teacher and will continue to bring home books weekly.

Emergency Forms: **Once you receive this form, please fill it out and return the emergency form as soon as possible. Please keep this form updated throughout the year so that your child will be sent to the appropriate location if they are ill or if school is dismissed early.** If your child is going to a different place after school or being picked up by another person, I must have a note.

Attendance: Being in school every day and on time is extremely important for your child. However, I have found that some children don't want to miss school and would like to come even when they are sick. While I am excited that the children enjoy being at school, they need to stay at home when sick with a fever or contagious illness. Please call the school office (625-3101) to excuse your child.

In our classroom, I will communicate events and assignments on a class calendar. Look for the first calendar to come home with your child soon.

I am looking forward to working with you and your child! Please feel free to contact me at anytime.

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