Aug. 15, 2022

Dear First Grader,

Hello! My name is Mrs. MacDonald. I am going to be your First Grade teacher. I thought you might like to know a little bit about me. I am married to Mr. MacDonald. I have pets named Adalaide and Kahleesi. My favorite summer activities are to walk the beach, look for Petoskey stones, and eat picnics at the park! I also enjoy tubing down the river...what a blast! Now that you know about my family and what I like to do in the summer, I can't wait to meet you and learn about your family and what you like to do in the summer!

Do you remember seeing the First Grade classrooms? Our First Grade room is straight down the hall on the right-hand side. Everyone will get to use their own desk, we have our own drinking fountain and sink, and we can see the 2nd Grade wing out our window! I hope to see you at "Back to School Night" on August 31st. I will be waiting in the room; see if you can find me! I'd love to meet you!

First Grade is going to be a lot of fun! We will be reading, singing, playing math games, writing stories and making art projects.

There are many things we will use in our classroom every day. See the backside for a list of supplies. After we choose our seats, you can keep some of these supplies in your very own desk and other supplies will be shared with the class. Please do **NOT** bring pencil sharpeners to school; they make a mess in the carpet. Glue should only be in the solid stick form. You will find them easier to use and less messy!

When you take your parents to the store for supplies, don't forget a **LARGE** backpack. In First Grade you usually have things to take home each day. Let Mom and Dad know that whenever money is sent to school with you, they need to make sure it is labeled with your name and what it is to be used for. If it is for lunch, your lunch number will need to be on the envelope. Also, **PLEASE MARK** all water bottles, jackets, hats, sweaters, boots, backpacks, etc. with your name. It helps prevent mix-ups when classmates have the same item as you.

You are going to love being in First Grade! Your friends and I will be waiting for you. See you soon!

Your First Grade Teacher, Mrs. MacDonald

2022-2023 First Grade Supply List

For Mrs. MacDonald

Please send in each of the following items for your child:

1 box of yellow, #2 pencils (Ticonderoga sharpen the best!)

1 large or 2 small solid glue sticks – NO LIQUID GLUE

4 boxes of 24ct crayons

4 large block erasers

1 pair blunt-ended scissors

1 highlighter

1 large, sturdy backpack

2 **Poly Portfolio**, two-pocket folders

1 headphone headset

Please donate one of the following items for our classroom needs:

2 solid colored, two-pocket folders without brads in the center

1 box quart-size, snack - size, and gallon-size Zip-lock bags

1 box of Kleenex tissue

1 pkg small bathroom cups

1 bag pretzels, popcorn, graham crackers, animal crackers, or cheese puffs

THANK YOU!