

First Grade News!

September 2009

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Welcome to 1O'M at East Fairhaven Elementary! I look forward to providing your child with the instruction necessary to become a good reader, writer, and math student early in their school career.

In order for your child to become a successful reader, extra practice will be needed at home. Each week your child will bring home a pamphlet called, "Family Times," which consists of weekly skills and suggested activities for home use. They will also bring home a list of vocabulary words for review. Please watch for these items!

In addition to reviewing reading skills, your child will have homework Monday through Thursday. Homework will begin on Tuesday, September 8, 2009. Homework assignments will vary, but will mainly review math and spelling work. Each week the new spelling list will be sent home in your child's Homework Folder. There will be a spelling test every Friday. Our first spelling test will be on September 11th. Please watch for the Homework Folder and Communication Sheet. So that your child realized that home and school are a team, please sign the Communication Sheet DAILY.

All papers sent home will be in the Homework Folder. Each month I will send home a calendar of events and a general overview of skills to be covered in reading and math.

Please supply your child with a pencil box. Also, the occasional donation of tissues, small paper cups, liquid soap, glue sticks, and hand sanitizer would be greatly appreciated.

In the near future I will be looking for volunteers to duplicate papers, make phonics booklets, and to help with science and craft lessons. Please let me know what you can assist with and I will let you know the available days/times.

If you have any questions or comments, do not hesitate to call. Let's work together in order to make your child's first grade experience a happy and successful one.

Sincerely,
Miss O'Malley ☺