

Welcome to 1st Grade!

Mrs. Kemp's Class Disclosure (2020-2021)

Communication:

1. **Email:** mkemp@wasatchpeak.org. You will be receiving weekly updates from this email on Mondays. Email is the quickest way to reach me.
2. **Zoom:** I am happy to meet virtually on Zoom by appointment
Zoom Code: 340-852-6301
3. **Website:** <https://mrskempclass.weebly.com> (Contains mostly general info)

Additionally, please be sure to take a look at your child's B.E.E. (Bring Everything Everyday) folder each day. Your child's B.E.E. folder should go back and forth between home and school each day. We will put a stamp, sticker, star, smiley face, or grade on work that we have seen and are pleased with. If we do not mark an assignment or if you see a note with additional directions, please help your child to complete the assignment and return it to school the following day.

Supplies:

- Over-the-ear headphones in a bag with name labeled on headphones and bag.
- 3 solid color (no prints) 2 pocket folders – Blue, Red, and Green
- 1 solid color (no prints) 1 subject wide-ruled spiral notebook
- 1-2 Pink Pearl eraser(s)
- 1 standard sized pencil box
- 1 pair of rounded tip scissors
- 1 box of crayons (8, 10, 16, or 24 count)
- 1 package of glue sticks (no liquid glue please!)
- 1 package (12-30 count) of #2 **yellow** pencils (not mechanical)
- 1 box of tissues
- 2 clean masks daily (1 in a bag labeled with name to keep in student's backpack just in case the other gets wet or dirty)
- Refillable Water Bottle

****If you would like to donate extras for those who are unable to bring supplies, please feel free to do so! Thank you!****

The school will also have supplies for students who are unable to provide their own!

Suggested Donations list for Whole Class Supplies:

- Paper Towels
- Disinfecting cleaning wipes (Clorox, Lysol, etc.)
- Band-aids
- Black Dry Erase markers (for kids to use)
- 1 box of sandwich Ziplock bags and/or 1 box of Gallon Zipper lock bags.

****We go through these things quickly, so they would be greatly appreciated!****

Classroom Management:

I strive for a very positive classroom environment. In order to make this possible, our class will establish specific rules and procedures.

As a whole school, we follow the 5 Happy Class Rules:

1. Nice Words
2. Calm Body
3. Follow Directions
4. Nice Hands
5. Finish Work

Additionally, I will be using ClassDojo points as a positive and negative behavior management plan. You can download the ClassDojo app to see your child's points. I will send home a paper during the first week of school with instructions on how to view your student's points. If at any time I find my management plan isn't working, I will adapt it to meet the needs of my students.

Literacy

First grade is a very big year for your child's reading development. Reading instruction will primarily be taught from the Wonders reading program. We will have daily literacy lessons that will include grammar, reading comprehension, spelling, fluency, and vocabulary. Students will access a website called Imagine Learning to practice their reading and phonics skills. Every student is required to complete at least 45 minutes a week. There will be times students will use this website at home as, especially on Fridays. Stay tuned for login information.

All first-grade students are expected to read 20 minutes every night as homework. Reading logs will be sent home on Mondays and will need to be return on the following Monday every week.

Math

Math instruction will be taught from the curriculum, MyMath. I will be integrating many games, technology, group work, and independent problem solving each week to challenge students. The online resource used in math will be iReady. Every student is required to complete at least 45 minutes a week. There will be times students will use this website at home as, especially on Fridays. Stay tuned for login information.

Homework sheets will be sent home each night and will need to be returned the following day.

Homeroom

Homeroom consists of lessons in social studies, science, and service learning. It takes place in the afternoons and will vary in topic from day to day. Students will not have homework in homeroom.

Schedules

This year there will be staggered drop off and pick up times according to the first letter of your child's last name:

Drop Off:

A – E : 7:50 – 7:55

F – O : 7:55 – 8:00

P – Z : 8:00 – 8:05

Pick Up

A – E : 2:20 – 2:25

F – O : 2:25 – 2:30

P – Z : 2:30 – 2:35

Daily Schedule:

Literacy 8:00 – 10:45

Recess/Lunch 10:45 – 11:30

Math 11:30 – 1:00

Recess 1:00 – 1:15

Spanish 1:15 – 1:45

Homeroom 1:45 – 2:30

Mrs. Kemp's Homeroom's Monday Rotations Schedule:

Literacy 8:00 – 10:45 (Library 10:15-10:45)

Recess/Lunch 10:45 – 11:30

Math 11:30 – 12:30

Homeroom 12:30 – 1:00

Recess 1:00 – 1:15

Homeroom 1:15 – 1:30pm

1:30 – 2:30 P.E., Art, and Computers

**Early-out days follow this schedule up until Math

Distance Learning and Friday Online Instruction

We have a handful of students who will be participating in full online learning. Students will access the classroom through the Google Classroom platform and through Zoom each day. All of the assignments and lessons will be posted daily for completion. I will aim to live stream my lessons on Zoom, which will be the easiest way for distance learning students to stay caught up on work. I will upload those videos on Google Classroom later that day if you are not able to log into Zoom. Assignments will be assigned online and in workbooks. Students must drop off completed workbook pages to the WPA drop-off at the end of each Thursday. I will be available for consultation on FRIDAYS via zoom.

On Fridays, everyone will be participating in online learning. Each Friday, all students are expected to log into (their assigned teacher's) Literacy, Math, and

Homeroom Google Classroom, find the current date, and complete the posted assignments.

There may be times during the year where your child may have to be quarantined, whether they are exposed to Covid-19 or they test positive. In this circumstance, you would follow the same procedures of getting on Google Classroom and Zoom to complete assignments for the two weeks of quarantine.

Google Classroom Codes:

1 Kemp Literacy: wdeqre3

1 Kemp Math: y2amwxy

1 Kemp Homeroom: 35jpdpt

Birthdays

We love celebrating birthdays! We would love to have you come into your child's homeroom class and read one of their favorite children's book to the class, if you would like to. You can also share a few special things about your child. Please arrange your visit for your child's birthday at least one week ahead of time. We ask that you do not bring treats or candy to class for your child's birthday. Birthday party invitations will not be allowed to be given out at school.

Morning Snack, Recess, and Lunch

Students may eat a morning snack time every day during a brain break. Please make sure that you send only healthy snacks, low in sugar (i.e. no cookies, donuts). Appropriate snacks could be: fruit slices, crackers, cheese, vegetable sticks, cereal bar, or some type of protein. Candy and soda are not allowed. If your child would like second-chance breakfast, they are welcome to get it. Please note that the cost of second-chance breakfast will be deducted from your child's lunch account. If students choose to eat school lunch, there will always be a hot option or salad bar. Students will have two recesses, lunch recess and an afternoon recess.

Parent Volunteers

I am so grateful to work in a school that provides so many parent volunteers! I am very excited to get you involved with our class this year. There is a sign-up

form for volunteer opportunities on my class website under the "Volunteer Opportunities" tab. Please note at this time, due to Covid-19, no parent volunteers will be allowed in the building. All volunteer opportunities will be things you can do from home. I also have links to my Amazon wish list and Teachers Pay Teachers under that tab. Every \$10 donated can count as 1 volunteer hour.

I am so excited for this year of learning!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me mkemp@wasatchpeak.org.

Thank you!

Michelle Kemp