

Clayton Huey Elementary School

Dear Super First Grader and Family,

Welcome to 1st Grade! I am looking forward to a fun year of learning together and I hope you and your child are too! First grade is a big transition year from Kindergarten and you will see your child become more independent each day. Throughout the school year your child will grow in many ways. They will continue to work cooperatively with peers and independently as well. Students will be participating in reading and writing workshops daily, where they will begin by learning the structure of the workshop and continue throughout the year learning numerous reading and writing skills and strategies. They will continue learning how to spell words, notice patterns and parts, and other word work skills through the Foundations program. First graders will also learn about the human body, habitats, maps, and a bunny's life cycle! All of these units are interdisciplinary, including reading, writing, word-work, etc. while learning all of these fun and important topics and more! Our math workshop will be hands-on daily where students will use manipulatives, develop skills to become problems solvers, and explore the world of mathematics around them! There are so many exciting topics we explore in first grade and I look forward to sharing them and learning alongside with your child.

I included a supply list on the back of this letter for you as we prepare for our year together. If you have any questions or concerns while getting the supplies, please let me know. All lists will be available on the principal's e-board located on the district website.

I can be contacted throughout the year via email at cbaio@cmschools.org, or you can call the school at 878-0052 and leave a message. I will return all calls and emails as soon as possible. I will also be sending home monthly newsletters and notices keeping you informed about what is happening throughout the year and any important information. I'm hoping to create an email list next year to send information, last minute updates and reminders, and even pictures of the students through email!

I am so excited and am looking forward to a wonderful school year together full of learning, growth, and fun! Enjoy the summer and see you soon!

Mrs. Baio :)