2020-2021 School Year

Dear Parents,

Students this year will be learning from me and Mrs. Bitner. I will be teaching your child Math and Science. Mrs. Bitner will be teaching Language Arts and Social Studies. Students will stay in their homeroom classroom for the shift of subjects. Mrs. Bitner and I will swap classrooms when teaching our subjects.

MATH

There is a separate paper with a detailed outline of what math will look like. Please read that information so you will know what is expected of your child.

SCIENCE

Science standards have changed this year. We will be covering Organisms Functioning in their Environment, Energy Transfer, Wave Patterns, and Observable Patterns in the Sky. This is new curriculum for me. These standards and the science program Bennion Elementary has purchased have a lot of hands-on activities that I will not be able to use due to our current pandemic circumstances. I will be doing much of my science teaching using technology, so if the need arises, your child will be able to transfer to distant learning with ease.

Students will be expected to keep track of their learning in their science notebooks. These notebooks are a great way for you to know what your child is learning. Ask to see them. If your child takes notes, listens in class, and participates with our on-line teaching, they will be confident and do well.

MASKS

Students will be required to wear masks at school; however, teachers have permission to wear face shields when “academically appropriate”. I want you to be aware that I will be wearing a face shield when teaching whole group up in front of the class. It is important for kids to see my mouth when I teach. When I am done with my whole group teaching, I will replace my shield with a face mask. I will continue to wear a mask when working closely with students.

RISE TO THE CHALLENGE

This year will be unique. As we work together and stay positive, we will meet any challenge that comes our way head on. There will be bumps in the road along the way, but as we are patient and kind with each other, we will make this a WONDERFUL year that these kiddos will never forget. We won’t forget it either. 😊

THANK YOU

Thank you for your support. It makes all the difference in the world when students know that both their teacher and their parents are making sure work is being done to the best of their ability. Working together yields success!

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