

## 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER: 2024-25 FABULOUS FIRST GRADE NEWS

# Meet Our 1st Grade Teachers...

Our team is looking forward to the new school year and seeing our students grow academically, socially, and emotionally!

## Mrs. Rossi

She went to Florida Atlantic
University. This will be her 21st year
teaching 1st grade! Her favorite
things to do is spend time with her
husband and two children. She
loves to cook, watch sports &
cruise! Her favorite part of the
summer was going on a cruise to
the southern Caribbean with her
family. Her favorite islands so far are
The Bahamas.

## Mrs. Salbe

She went to Ohio State University. This is her 25th year of teaching. Her favorite things to do is travel, spend time with her husband & two daughters, and shop. Her favorite sports are football (Go Gators!) and hockey. Her favorite of the summer was traveling to Greece & Italy with her family.



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Communicate any absences with the office and/or the teacher.
- Send in snack & water bottle daily.
- Check the Take Home folder & agenda nightly.
- Make sure your child has a pair of headphones at school.
- Please complete all Back-to-School forms.
- Check emails regularly for communication from the teacher.

## Ms. Diaz

She went to Florida Atlantic
University. She has been
teaching for 24 years at Country
Isles Elementary. She taught 2nd
grade for 13 years. This will be
her eleventh-year teaching 1st
grade. She has been teaching
the Dual Language class for 9
years. She has two amazing kids
named Jonathan and Nicole.
Her favorite thing to do is have
family time and spend time with
her friends.

## Mrs. Siegel

She went to University of South Florida. This is her 34<sup>th</sup> year of teaching. Her favorite thing to do is spend time with her husband and 2 sons. She like to travel and attend sporting events. She had an amazing time at Disney World this summer!

## Mrs. Judd

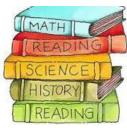
She began teaching in 1993 and joined CIE in 2000. She earned degrees from the University of South Florida and Nova Southeastern University. During her career, she has taught many grade levels and is excited to be a part of the Dual Language Program in 1st grade. Mrs. Judd feels that being a teacher is very rewarding and she loves helping her students discover that learning can be a positive experience! She and her husband have two wonderful daughters who are CIE grads. As a family, they enjoy spending time reading, going to the beach, and watching Super Hero movies.

### Mrs. Rodriguez

Mrs. Rodriguez was born in Brooklyn, New York and came to Florida when she was 10. She is a proud graduate of Broward College and Florida Atlantic University where she received her degree in Elementary Education. She loves watching the sunrise over the ocean and spending time with her family including her fur babies. Mrs. Rodriguez finds her classroom to be one of her happy places. Every day that she is in the classroom, she is living her dream. She encourages her students to reach their full potential and believe in themselves, because she 100% believes in them. When you are in Mrs. Rodriguez's class, you are winning because that is what she sets out to do with her entire class.

One of her favorite quotes is: "All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them." by Walt Disney





## **Reading Strategies**

## Stuck On a New Word?

When your child gets "stuck" on a word, it is important that they use their reading strategies. Many times children use the adult as a reading strategy (we tell them the word right away). Below you will find 1 of 8 reading strategies we will be introducing for your children!

"Eagle Eye" - Look at the picture to help you figure out the word.



## **UPCOMING EVENTS AND DATES**

- 9/2- No School
- 9/3- K-2<sup>nd</sup> FAST Assessment- Reading
- ❖ 9/9- K-2<sup>nd</sup> FAST Assessment- Math
- 9/11 PTA Meeting @ 8:15am
- 9/23- SAC Meeting @ 2:15pm
- 9/27- Interim Reports
- ❖ 10/2- Boosterthon Fun Run
- \* 10/7-10/11- Book Fair
- 10/14- No School- Teacher Work Day/End of 1st Quarter



## **Writing Tips**

## Try This with your child:

- Write letters and cards to family members & friends and encourage them to write back.
- Encourage your child to write stories about their favorite things.
- Read comics in the newspaper and encourage your child to write their own.
- Use fun writing tools such as markers, gel pens, crayons, pencils. etc.

## Math

## **Topic 1: Understanding Addition and Subtraction**

- Solve addition & subtraction problems involving situations of adding to & putting together and taking from.
- Solve addition problems by finding the missing addend.

## Topic 2: Add & Subtract with Facts to 10

- Add by counting on from a number
- Use doubles and near double to solve problems
- Use the same addends to write two different equations with the same sum.

## Topic 3: Add with Facts to 20

- How to count on
- Counting using doubles
- Near Doubles
- Counting using a ten frame
- Counting three numbers together
- Problem solving with addition

## Topic 4: Subtract with Facts to 20

- Counting backwards
- Subtracting with a missing number- use addition to subtract
- Using a ten frame to subtract
- Break apart to subtract
- Problem solving with subtraction

## **Science & Social Studies**

## Science:

### The Practice of Science

- \*What information should we record from our investigation? <u>Classifying Matter</u>
- \*What observable properties can we use to classify objects?
- \*What tools can we use to make observations about properties of objects?

## Patterns of Movement

- \*How can we explore how objects change location?
- \*How can we explore the different ways & patterns that objects move?
- \*How can we determine the effects of pushes & pulls on the motion of objects?

## **Social Studies:**

#### Unit 1: Let's Learn About Time

- \*How do words about time help me communicate with others about events?
- \*Why are timelines important?

### **Unit 2: Historical Thinking Skills**

- \*How do historians learn about the past?
- \*How can primary sources help me understand what happened in the past?

## **Additional Instruction**

- \*Constitution Day
- \*Celebrate Freedom Week
- \*Hispanic Heritage

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