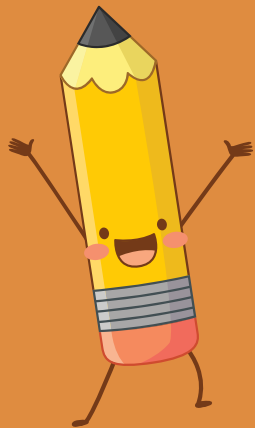


Northeast Tacoma Elementary

# Virtual Back to School Night



# Welcome Parents!

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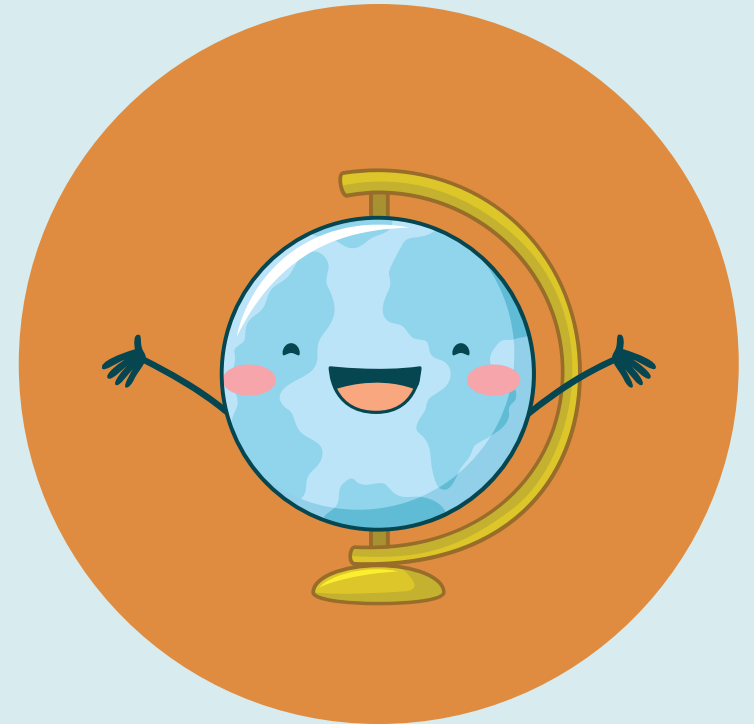
# Class Information

**FRIDAY EMAILS:** Each Friday we will email a brief newsletter that shares what your child has worked on each week. It will also include any reminders or upcoming events.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Due to COVID, sending in the typical cupcakes for a birthday celebration is discouraged. However, we can still sing Happy Birthday to your child. And, if your child would like to bring a treat to share, a great idea is to bring one small candy (similar to Halloween-type candy bars) to give to each child that they can eat at home.

**TAKE-HOME FOLDER:** Your child should be using one folder as their Take-Home Folder. This provides an organized way in which to take home their homework and handouts. It should be brought back to school each day containing any papers that need to return.

**HOMEWORK:** Each week, your child is given a Weekly Reading Log. After reading (or being read to) for 15 minutes, please write down what was read and sign it each day.



# First Grade Curriculum



**ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (ELA):** Each day work in whole group and small groups on phonics, sight words, handwriting, spelling words (coming soon), reading to self, and writing narratives and opinions.

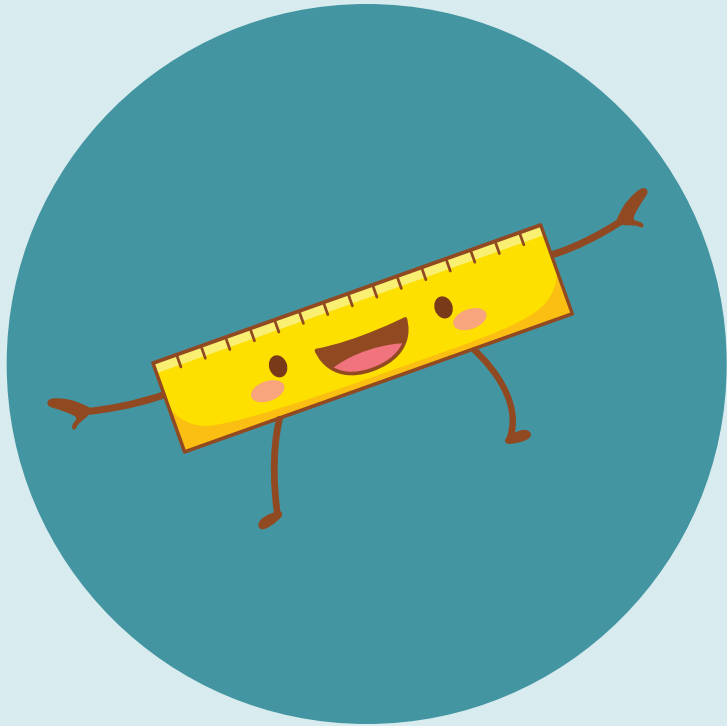
**MATH:** This year we are learning number sense, how to add and subtract numbers within 20, representing data, place value, counting money, telling time, measuring length, and working with shapes.

**SPELLING:** Around the beginning of November, we will start having 10 spelling words each week to prepare for a spelling test every Friday. A great routine for your child is to practice the words each evening along with homework. I will notify you through our email when our spelling lists will begin, and what the words will be. There is always one bonus word each week.



**SCIENCE:** We are using a program called Mystery Science. There are two units: “Lights and Sounds”—Learning about the properties of light and sound  
“Plant and Animal Superpowers”—Learning about plant and animal structures and survival. Plus, we have an Astronomy & Seasons unit that we visit briefly in fall, winter, and spring to observe moon phases and to discover how and why trees change through the seasons.

# Class Rules



## Classroom and School-Wide Expectations

- Be respectful.
- Be responsible.
- Be kind.
- Be safe. (Keep hands and feet to self)

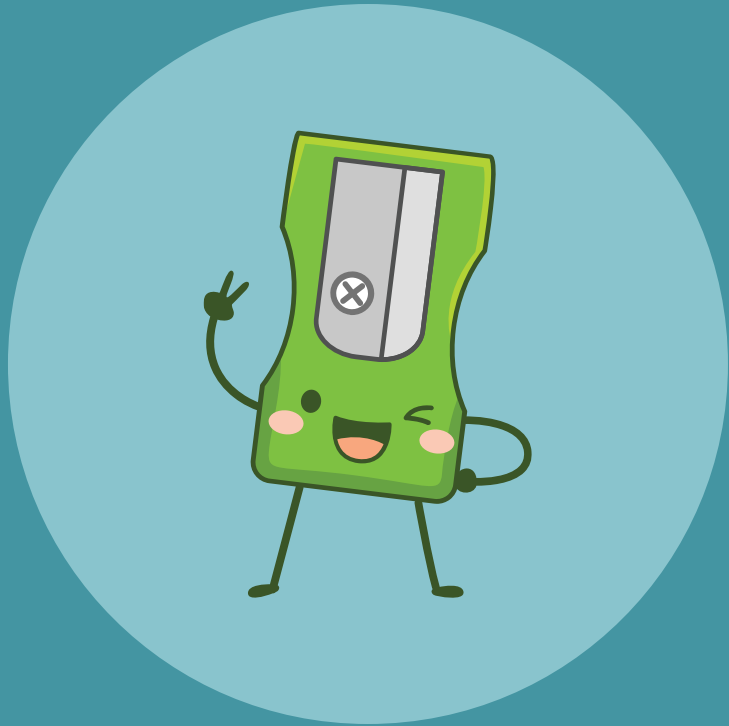
# Helpful Hints

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The school year will run so much more smoothly for you and your child if you...

- Encourage your child to be responsible by showing him/her how to put their homework and other materials into their folder and backpack in the evening to bring to school the next day. Then gradually have them be responsible for doing this on their own.
- Set up routines at home for: the way important school papers reach your eyes, a homework time, a place where homework can be completed, getting materials ready the night before.
- Keep a folder for important school papers. When your child comes home with the lunch menu, or the form for picture day, or the school newsletters, these can go in a folder at home to keep you organized.

# Questions?



Please contact your teacher for questions or concerns you have.

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