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Dear First Grade Families,

Hello! My name is Kelley Dougherty and I will be your child's first grade teacher this year. We'll work on becoming stronger readers and writers, increasing our skills and strategies as mathematicians, and exploring many exciting social studies and science topics such as weather and communities. I have included some helpful tips to get the year off to a smooth start as well as a list of suggested school supplies.

Here are some helpful tips for the start of first grade:

- Dismissal:** Please be sure to answer the question in the Forms Survey Link in the email I send you so that I am aware of how your child will arrive and be dismissed for each day of the first week of school.
- Snack:** Please send in a nutritious snack and a re-useable water bottle each day (preferably NOT a Stanley.) **PLEASE PUT IT IN A SEPARATE BACKPACK POCKET THAN YOUR CHILD'S LUNCH!**
- Sun Safety:** Please send in a bucket hat and non-aerosol sunscreen labeled with your child's name and sealed in a plastic baggie if you choose to allow your child to apply prior to lunch/recess. **Sunscreen Permission forms will be provided at Back To School Night.**
- Lunch:** Eating lunch in the cafeteria is very exciting for first graders! If your child is packing a lunch, please label it with his/her first and last name and "1-DO". If your child is bringing money to purchase lunch, please place it in a small envelope labeled with his/her name and lunch choice. In the beginning of the year, I will remain with the class to assist the students with buying lunch.

Please feel free to email me at [kdougherty@cbsd.org](mailto:kdougherty@cbsd.org) if you have any questions or concerns.

I am truly looking forward to getting to know your child and working with you as a partner in your child's education this year. Together we can ensure that your child has a wonderful first grade experience.

Watch for an email from me towards the end of August to gain additional information about your child before the start of the school year. Have a great summer!

Sincerely,  
Kelley Dougherty

# School Supply List for Ms. Dougherty's Class

\*Indicates that the item should be labeled with your child's name

**Sturdy two-pocket folders**

Plastic (a total of 2)

(1-red & 1- blue; not 3-hole punched)



**Expo Low-Odor Dry Erase Markers, Ultra-Fine Tip, Black, 4 Count**



**\*Headphones** in a Ziploc bag (labeled with your child's first and last name) \*Please make sure the plug will fit an iPad jack.



**\*Bucket Hat** or baseball cap labeled with your child's name and 1DO.  
(To be used during recesses to help protect your child's skin. It will be kept in a cubbie in our room.)



**\*Non-Aerosol Sunscreen**

If you send sunscreen, your child will need to apply it independently. I will teach your child how to do this if you have not done so at home.

Please seal sunscreen in a Ziplock bag labeled with your child's name and 1DO.

(To be used before recesses to help protect your child's skin.)



**\*Paint Smock** – Any oversized shirt will do the trick. Please use a permanent marker to label it with your child's name and 1DO.



**\*1 Change of Clothes** – Please send a change of clothes including underwear and socks in case of a toileting accident and/or getting wet while playing outdoors.

(Put in a gallon Ziploc bag with full name on outside of bag.)



**1 Box of Tissues** (last names start with A-I)

**1 bottle of hand soap** (last names start with J-Q)

**1 package of disinfecting wipes** (last names start with R-Z)



Thank you so much for generously donating these items to our classroom.

