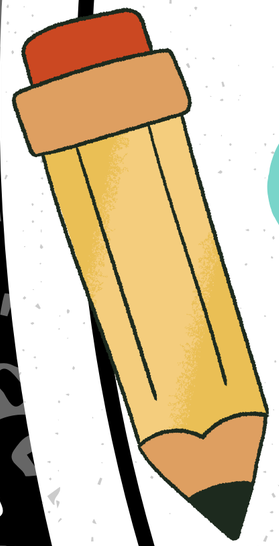
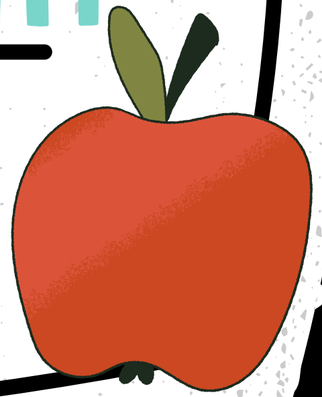

NORTHWOOD
ELEMENTARY PTA
Together We Shine

Welcome to

CURRICULUM NIGHT

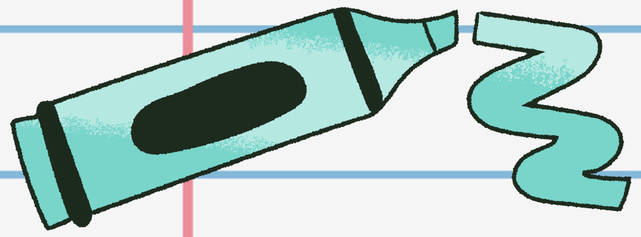




Connections HOME & SCHOOL

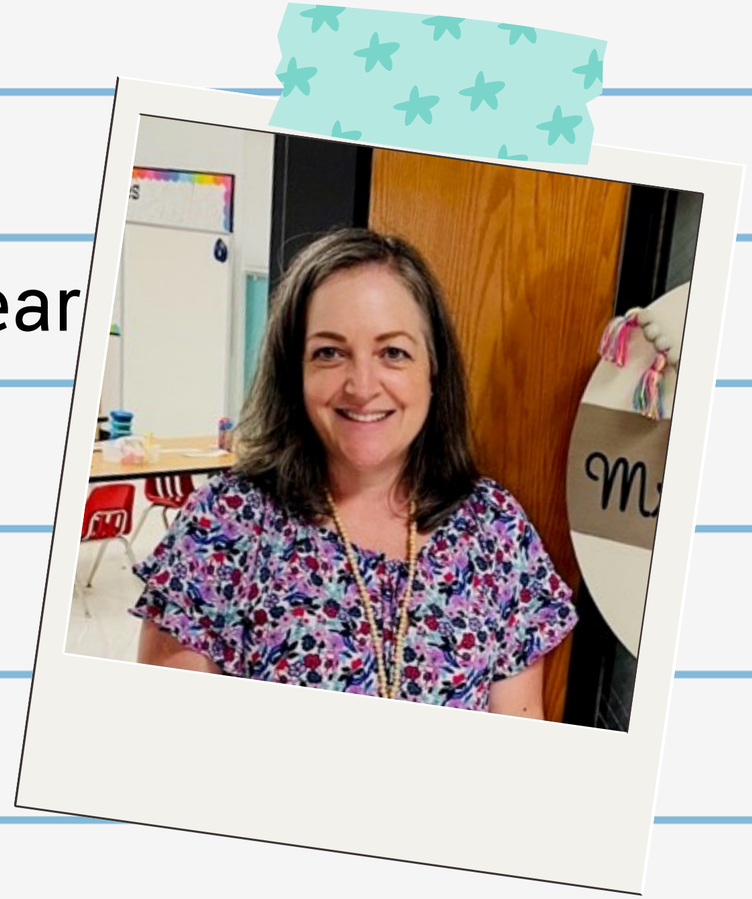
It takes all of us to make a successful school year for your child.

Thank you for being here tonight!





All About
YOUR TEACHER



- I am excited to begin my fourth year teaching 1st grade at Northwood Elementary.
- I have lived in Roswell for 28 years and I have 4 amazing children.
- I love to spend time with family and friends!



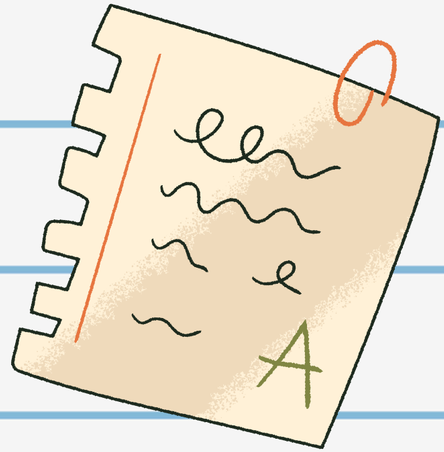
Changes from KINDERGARTEN

- Writing in and keeping up with agenda
- Responsible for library books (2) and supplies
- Increased independence/problem-solving
- Homework responsibilities
- One teacher- no assistant



We Will Do
OUR PART BY...

- Teaching all the 1st grade Georgia K12 Standards to each student, meeting his/her individual needs with constant assessment.
- Providing an environment conducive to learning where students feel safe to share and feel important.
- Keeping lines of communication open between school and home.
- Make learning fun!



Let's work TOGETHER TO...

- Stay organized with binders & sign the agenda nightly
- Complete & check homework (will begin AFTER Labor Day)
- Establish routines at home
- Reinforce rewards/consequences
- Closely review and empty Friday Folder & BLAST (Fridays)
- Encourage responsibility and independence
- Complete iReady Reading and Math Minutes
- Keep lines of communication open- Email
- Stay involved - Join PTA



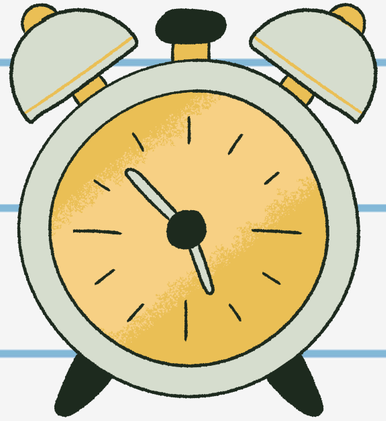
A Day in the Life
OUR CLASSROOM

Taking a sneak peek into our daily schedule and curriculum!



Our Daily SCHEDULE

- 7:10-7:40 Arrival
- 7:40-7:55 Announcements, Rethink & Morning Meeting
- 7:55-8:40 Specials
- 8:45-8:55 Heggerty
- 8:55-9:25 Phonics
- 9:25-10:25 Skill Groups and I&E
- 10:25-11:40 Whole Group Reading/Writing
- 11:40-12:10 Lunch
- 12:10-1:20 Math
- 1:20-1:50 Recess
- 1:50-2:20 Social Studies/ Science
- 2:20 Dismissal



EXPLORERVISOIN

MORNING MEETING & RETHINK









SPECIALS



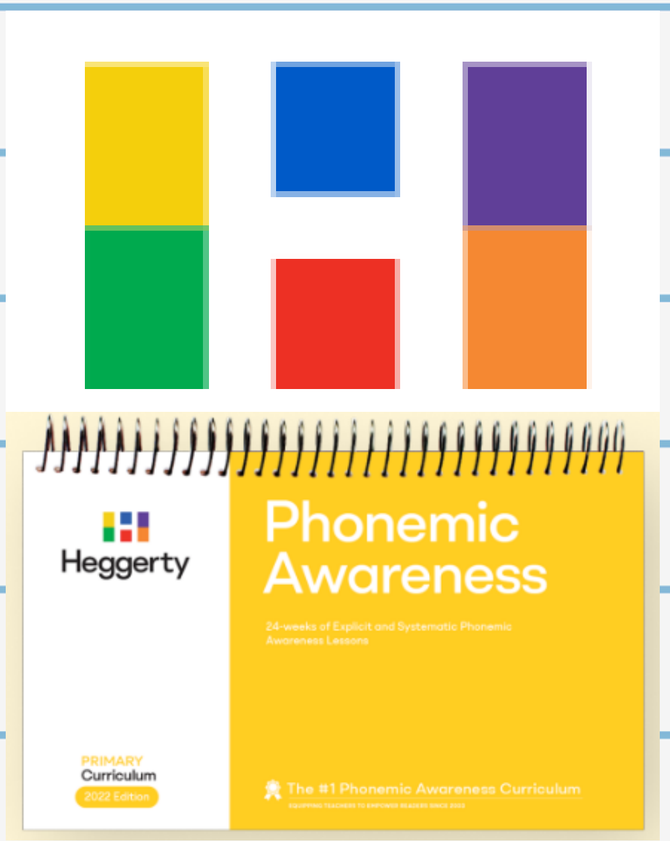






HEGGERTY




Heggerty
Phonemic Awareness
24-weeks of Explicit and Systematic Phonemic Awareness Lessons
PRIMARY
Curriculum
2022 Edition
The #1 Phonemic Awareness Curriculum

PHONICS

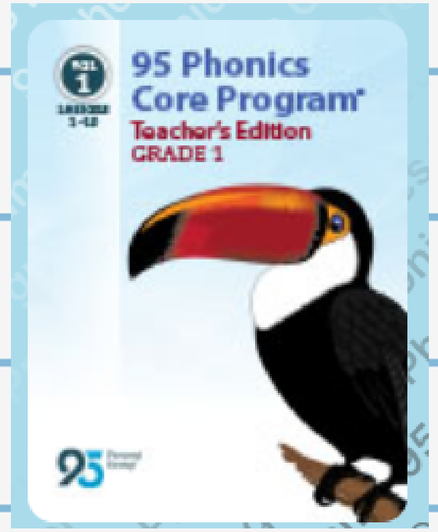
Explicit phonics instruction





- Phonics Sound Spelling Test
- Tests will follow the phonics skill of the week.

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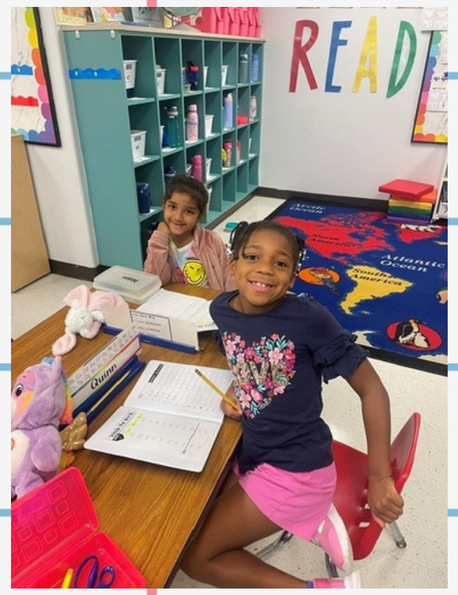


SKILL GROUPS AND I&E











WHOLE GROUP READING & WRITING

Students learn strategies for reading that will help improve:

Fluency

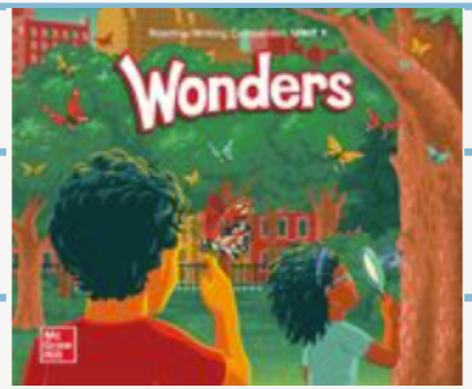
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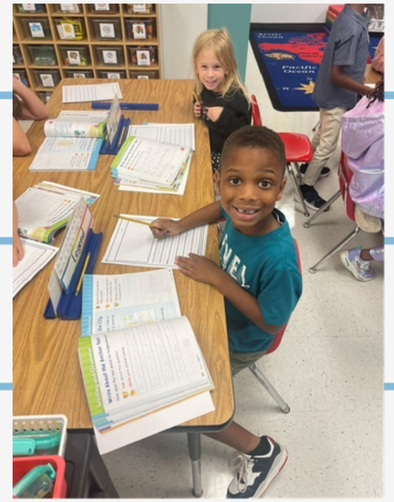
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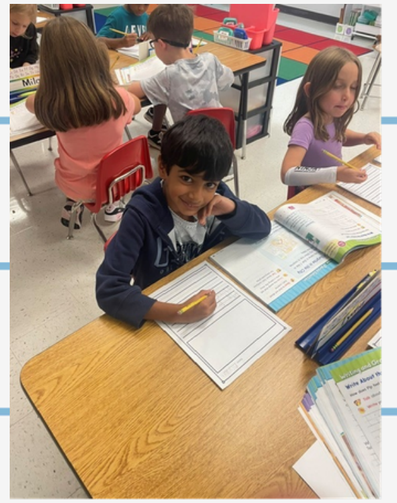
Vocabulary











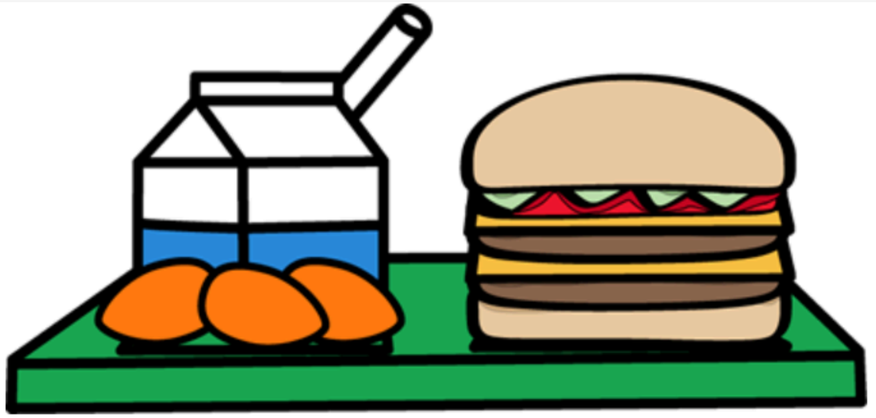
LUNCH













MATH









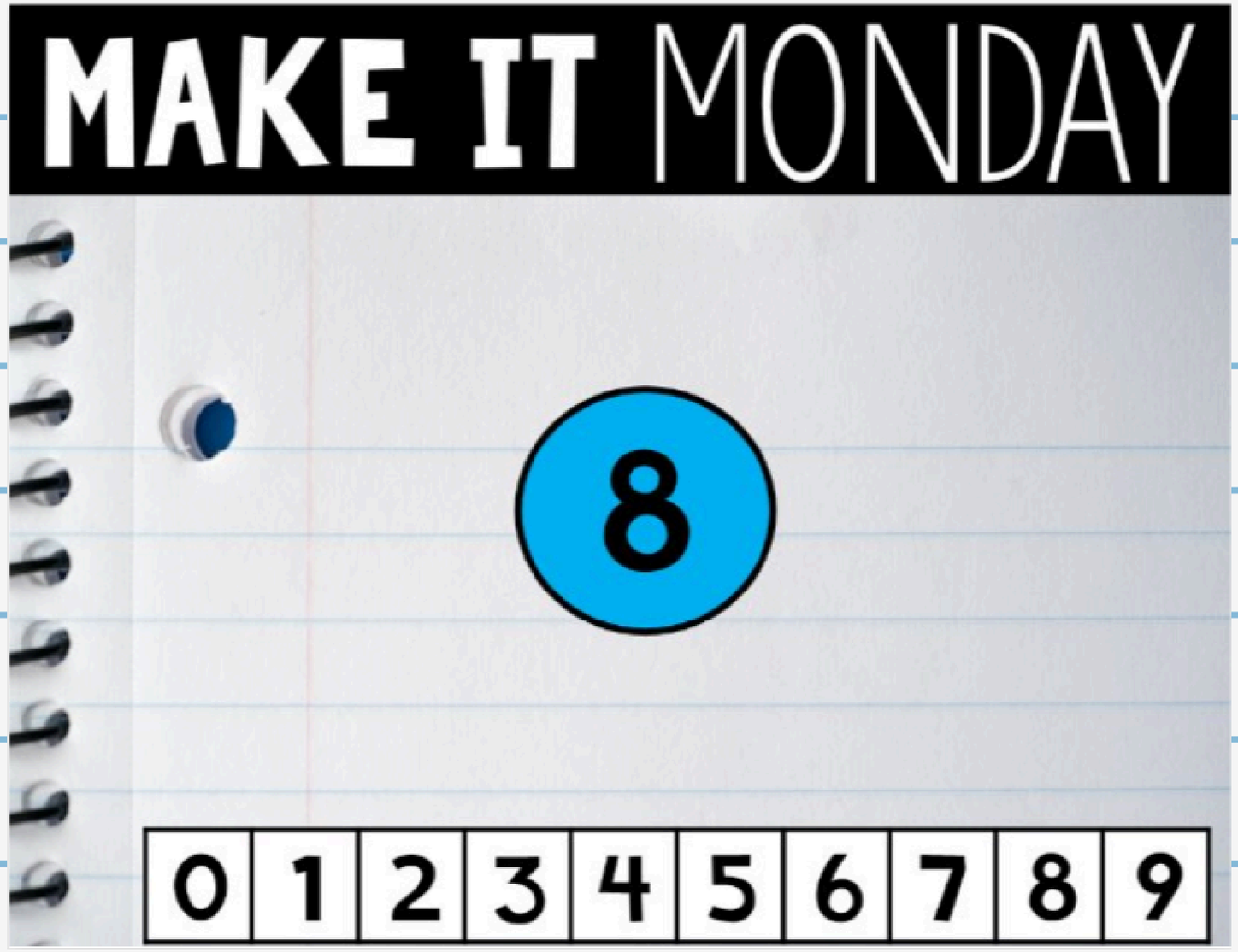
Math Includes: computation, problem-solving, vocabulary, fact fluency, explaining math thinking, & games

Format: Number Talk, Minilesson, Flexible Small Groups, iReady Math

Curriculum Highlights: Base Ten Number Sense, Operations and Basic Algebraic Thinking, Sorting, Comparing, Ordering, Understanding Place Value, Shapes, Fraction, Money, Data

*Heavy emphasis on Word Problems

MATH- NUMBER TALK



RECESS















SOCIAL STUDIES & SCIENCE



Social Studies Units:

- Our Earth, Our Country
- Patriotism
- Benjamin Franklin
- Thomas Jefferson
- Lewis, Clark & Sacagawea
- George Washington Carver
- Theodore Roosevelt
- Ruby Bridges
- Economics



Science Units:

- Weather & Climate
- Living Things
- Light and Shadows
- Sound
- Magnetism

SCHOOL-WIDE EXPECTATIONS AND RULES

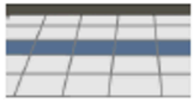
- POSTED AROUND THE SCHOOL IN COMMON AREAS.
- EACH RULE SUPPORTS AN EXPECTATION
  - Be responsible
  - Be respectful
  - Be engaged



PBIS
POSITIVE BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORT

Northwood Elementary

PBIS Expectation Matrix

		Hallway	Playground	Cafeteria	Common Areas	Restroom
Expectation	Be Respectful	Walk silently 	Use good sportsmanship 	Talk softly Use walking feet 	Talk softly 	Give people privacy 
	Be Responsible	Keep your hands and feet to yourself 	Use kind words and a kind body 	Clean up your area: table and floor 	Put materials away in their place 	Leave the stall clean Throw trash away 
	Be Engaged	Walk in the 3rd square 	Follow equipment rules 	Eat your own food Raise your hand to leave your seat 	Take your belongings with you 	Wash your hands 

PBIS
1st GRADE BEHAVIOR MATRIX

Northwood Elementary

1st Grade Expectation Matrix

		Arrival	Whole Group	Small Group	Independent Work	Transitions	Dismissal
Expectation	Be Respectful	Greet your teacher and your friends 	Zero voice level 	Work quietly 	Raise your hand to leave your seat 	Walking feet 	Listen to dismissal announcements 
	Be Responsible	Unpack your belongings 	Keep hands and feet to yourself 	Use materials safely 	Keep your area clean 	Put materials away 	Pack your belongings 
	Be Engaged	Sit down and complete morning work 	Be an active listener 	Work on your assigned task 	Work on your assigned task 	Listen for directions on what to do next 	Sit quietly on the carpet 

AWARDS

- PBIS Points
  - Students in grades K-5 are awarded PBIS points which recognize meeting PBIS expectations.
- Gold Pencils
  - Students who earn PBIS points participate in a weekly drawing on Friday.
- Character Connects Us
  - A certificate will be presented to students who are recognized for the Character Connects Us award. Students will be announced on ExplorerVision and will have their picture taken for the Character Connects Us wall.
- Positive Office Referral
  - Students are nominated throughout the year for a positive acknowledgement sharing the great things he/she has done.
- Gold T-Shirts
  - Students are awarded a Gold T-Shirt for being a role model at Northwood and will be announced on ExplorerVision.
- Silver Star T-Shirt
  - Students are awarded a Silver Star T-Shirt for being a role model in the cafeteria.

AWARDS

- Rock Star Awards
  - One student in each homeroom is recognized at the end of each semester for outstanding, all-around growth and progress. These students embody our Northwood Pledge.
- Monthly PBIS Celebrations
  - Students who demonstrate PBIS expectations will participate in our monthly PBIS celebration and shop at our Explorer Exchange PBIS store.
- iReady Wall of Fame and Book Vending Machine
  - Students who meet their iReady math and reading goals will have their name posted on the iReady Wall of Fame.
  - Students who meet their grade level goal of iReady Reading lessons completed and passed will earn a golden token to the Book Vending Machine.

GRADING

STUDENTS IN GRADES K-2 WILL FOLLOW THE FOLLOWING GRADING SCALE:

Kindergarten – 2nd Grade
EM (90-100%) – Exceeding Mastery **M** (80-89%) – Mastering **AM** (70-79%) – Approaching Mastery **NYM** (69% and below) – Not Yet Demonstrating Mastery **NG** – No Grade

- **Grading Categories**
  - **Major (45%), Minor (40%), Practice (15%)**
  - **Grading Scale has been adjusted**
  - **Non-Academic Skills is also provided every 9 weeks**
    - **Self-Direction**
    - **Collaboration**
    - **Problem Solving**
    - **Work Habits**

- **Progress Reports done every 4.5 weeks**
- **Report Cards done every 9 weeks**
- **Recovery – Students will be afforded the opportunity to recover all major assessments if they score below 75%**
  - **1 recovery attempt per major assessment**

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Attendance Matters!



Achievement

Community

Lifelong Skills

What you can do to support attendance

- Try to limit planned absences for appointments or travel.
- Keep your child home for contagious illnesses.
- Promote positive attendance behaviors

FULTON COUNTY SCHOOLS
95% TO THRIVE!
Fulton County Schools
Where Students Come First

We look forward to having every student at Northwood every day!

When a child is TARDY (late check in/early check out)…

Missing just…	That equals…	Which is…	And over 13 years of schooling is…
10 min. per day	50 min. per week	nearly 1 ½ weeks per year	nearly ½ a year
20 min. per day	1 hr. 40 min. per week	over 2 ½ weeks per year	nearly 1 year
30 min. per day	½ a day per week	about 4 weeks per year	nearly 1 ½ years
1 hour per day	1 day per week	about 8 weeks per year	over 2 ½ years!!

YES…being TARDY does matter!

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

If your child is absent from school, please submit an email to northwoodattendance@fultonschools.org AND the classroom teacher within five days of returning to school.

In the email, please include:

- **Child's first and last name**
- **The absence date(s)**
- **Reason for absence(s) *attach doctor's note if applicable**

You can monitor student attendance in your Campus Parent Portal account.

Pre-approved or remote absences need to be requested in writing using the form found on our Northwood Elementary website. https://Northwood.fultonschools.org

The school will be celebrating attendance each month by recognizing the class in each grade level with the highest percentage of attendance.

PickUp Patrol

PickUp Patrol provides families with a convenient way to make changes to your child's dismissal plans and helps ensure that students are accurately and safely dismissed each day.

If you need to change how your child should be dismissed please submit that information via PickUp Patrol BEFORE 1:30 pm on the day of the change.

All dismissal information and changes must be entered into PickUp Patrol. We are no longer accepting email or paper note changes.

If you need any help with PickUp Patrol contact Lorraine Robertson at Northwood's front desk, robertsonl1@fultonschools.org.

More information can be found at www.pickuppatrol.net.

AVID at Northwood

Northwood is proud to be an AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) school. AVID Elementary equips students with the foundational skills and mindset needed for future success. Our staff is focused on enhancing instructional consistency, fostering a college and career readiness mindset, increasing student engagement and building organizational and study skills.

- We talk about being a successful student, college and career readiness and strategies that help us in our success.
- As part of this, each week Northwood will be focused on one goal as a school. Be sure to ask your child about it!
- In addition, students will set a personal goal this year focused on their learning.

Continuous Achievement

- Fulton County and Northwood's goal is to provide every child with what he/she needs academically.
- Each child will have support and challenge when needed. Teachers will differentiate instruction and make adjustments throughout the year.
- Teachers will work together as a team looking at student assessments and work samples to make the most appropriate educational decisions. Students will be placed in groups which will be flexible based on your child's needs.
- Our goal is to provide EVERY child with the most appropriate education.

Working as a team, we know your child will have a successful year!



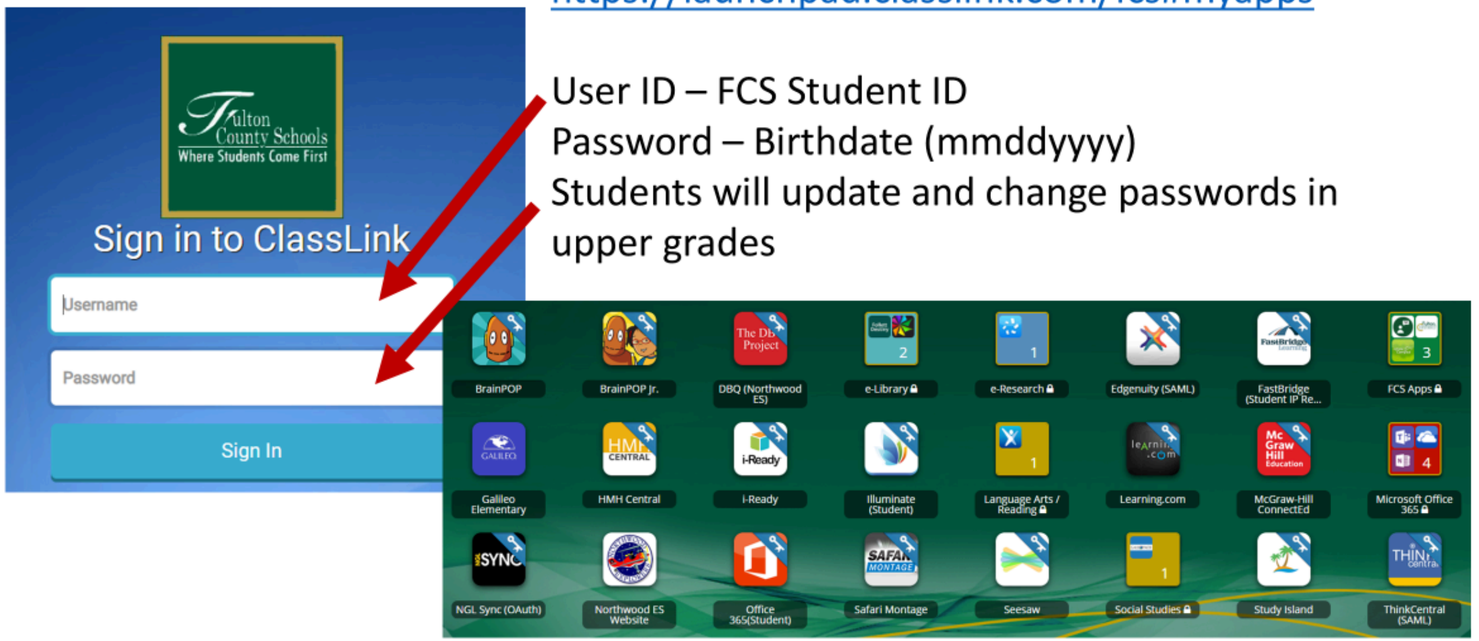
ClassLink

- ClassLink is a single sign-on platform that allows students to use their FCS username and password to access district supported digital content and applications from anywhere.
- ClassLink delivers instant access to web resources from all your devices; with ClassLink you don't need to remember a different URL for each digital resource you use.

Programs you will find on ClassLink:

- iReady Reading and Math (K-5th)
- Learning.com (K-5th)
- MackinVIA (K-5th)
- Destiny (K-5th)
- Imagine Learning (ESOL students)
- SeeSaw
- Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, Teams, etc.)

ClassLink Access



https://launchpad.classlink.com/fcs#myapps

User ID – FCS Student ID
Password – Birthdate (mmddyyyy)
Students will update and change passwords in upper grades

Our Northwood Team

Heather Rucker – Principal
- Supports students, staff and families

Michelle Levine – Assistant Principal
- Student affairs, Attendance, Discipline

Danielle Evangelista – Curriculum Support Teacher
- Curriculum and Instruction, Tier Process

Jennifer Weeks – School Counselor
- Counseling, parent resources

Molly Petry – Instructional Support Teacher
- Special Education Services

Nicole Sickle – MTSS / 504
- PBIS, MTSS Process, 504

Ryann Imhulse – Literacy Coach
- Literacy needs for staff and students

Lorraine Robertson – Front Desk
- General Information

Amy Dulion – Data Clerk
- Records, Contact Information, Registrations

Cheray Lynch – Principal's Secretary & Bookkeeper
- General Information

Rosa Gutierrezabrego – Cafeteria Manager

Cafeteria Information

Jayna Brosmer – Cluster Nurse
- Medical Issues

Kelsey McKeaige – Northwood Clinic Assistants
- Day to day clinic management

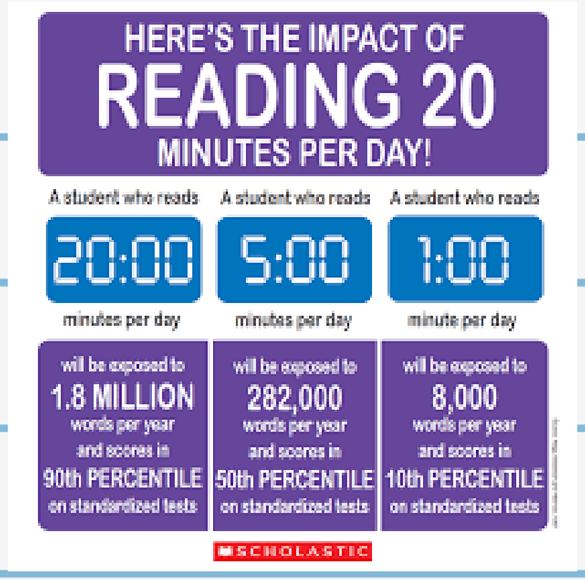
Brooke Schirmer – School Psychologist

Patrick Hartigan – School Social Worker

Student Devices

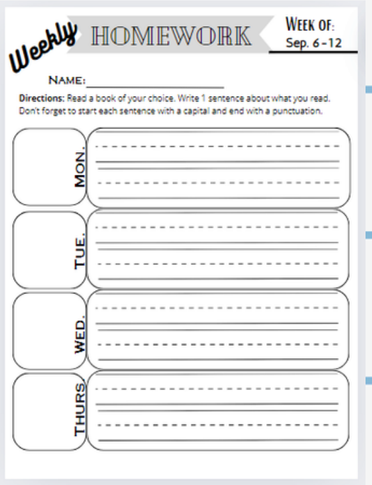
- Devices will only be used at school and not be sent home.
- Students are responsible for their device and will be charged if it is damaged. (cracked screen, broken keys, broken hinge, etc.)
- For more information about Fulton's device agreement and insurance visit the FCS Tech Website https://www.fultonschools.org/all-departments/information-technology/it

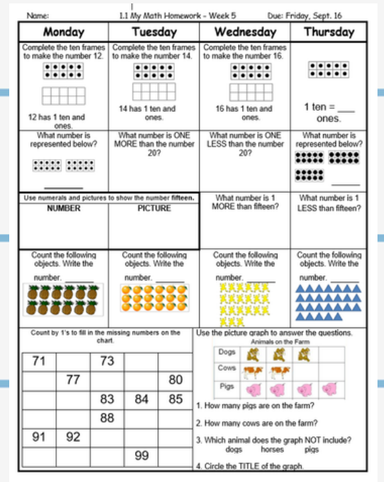
HOMEWORK



The purpose of first grade homework is to:

- Encourage responsibility
- Extend or practice concepts already taught at school
- Engage parents and keep them informed of what we are learning in class





- Weekly- sent home Friday and return the following Friday
- It should take no more than 20 minutes to complete each day.
- Students who need more, can do extra iReady Reading and Math at home.
- The first homework will be sent home Friday the 11th.

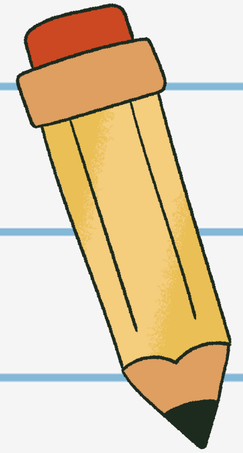
Coming Soon



FIELD TRIPS

- We will have both in house and out of school field trips this year.
- We look forward to planning some special opportunities that will enhance our first grade curriculum this year.
- Field Trip donations may be required to cover the cost of the school field trips.

It's going to be an amazing year!





THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR COMING