

Dear Parents and or Guardians,

We had a great first week in room 104! I'm excited to see what the year ahead of us holds. I am writing this letter to inform you of important things/policies that are happening in our room and at Big Hollow. Please take the time to read this letter and if you have any questions do not hesitate to ask!

**Snack time:** We will have a snack in the morning. All snacks must be *healthy*. Please refer to the healthy snack sheet on our school website if you have any questions of what to bring. We have a few nut severe nut allergies in our room PLEASE DO NOT BRING ANYTHING WITH NUTS FOR SNACK!! This is very important to ensure the safety of each student.

**Class Dojo and Friday Folder:** This year we will be using class Dojo! It is a great resource to display what we are doing in class, communicate back and forth and track positive and negative behavior. For those of you who have not used it please refer to the website and do some exploring! I sent home a letter that had your verification code so you can log in. If you need another copy please let me know.

*Friday Folders:* Please check your child's Friday folder each week. You will find any work that was graded and sent home in here as well as any sheets that need to be sent home.

**Birthdays:** I love birthdays just as much as your kids do, but unfortunately the school policy is no sugar treats. Which means no cupcakes, cookies etc.. I was told that they will be stopped at the door and not brought to the room if brought into the school. I encourage students to bring in things like stickers, pencils or even a take home goodie bag for their birthday. If you do a take home goodie bag you can put candy and other treats inside of it. Treats are only allowed if they can be taken home and not eaten in the classroom. We have 24 students in our class!

**Homework:** I like to call homework, "Extra Practice". I will occasional give the students extra practice activities to work on at home and return to me. These activities will not be graded but I will provide the students with feedback and give it back to them. Although these activities are not graded I will keep track of who is completing the work given to them and use it as a portion of their "Responsibility" grade. If the students are taking the time to improve their skills with this extra practice then it is showing me that they are being responsible for their learning.

*Homework items include: Reading for 20 min and completing their reading logs, Pathblazers, Lexia, the possibility of math sheets and Second Step activities.*

I will be using a "STAR CARDS" this year to track their homework progress. The kids will color in the star if they completed that assignment for the night and if they bring it back to school SIGNED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN showing that they completed that work they will receive a certain amount of STARbucks.

I *really* appreciate all the volunteers that signed up to help with classroom parties and or work in the classroom. I will be contacting you if I need anything! *Please attend the upcoming parent volunteer meeting if you want to volunteer.* I will be emailing a weekly newsletter to keep you informed on what is happening in our classroom via email, keep an eye out for it(:

It is going to be a **W O N D E R F U L** year!!

Ms.Jacobs

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If you understand and have read the above policies please sign below. Email me any questions that you may have!

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I have read the attached document and understand it.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_