

Mrs. Johnson's Pre-K/Kindergarten Class

Dear Parents:

Welcome! I am so happy that you have chosen to enroll your child in Mount Ellis Elementary this year. I am planning for a fun and productive year with you and your child. Because I believe that parent and teacher communication is so important to classroom success, prepare to hear from me frequently. I encourage you to reach out to me at ANYTIME with questions or important information about your student. I check my text messages frequently throughout the day, so that is a great way to reach me.

I put lots of time and effort into my plans for the classroom, and I have high expectations for my students. My classroom is a Christ-centered atmosphere, and it is expected to be orderly. I also expect my students to treat each other with respect and kindness.

Classroom Rules:

- * **Always do your Best**
- * **Respect Yourself**
- * **Have a Good Attitude**
- * **Respect Others**
- * **Make Wise Choices**
- * **Above all else BE KIND**

If you will will talk about these rules, and their meanings with your child before school starts that would be helpful.

Rewards:

- * Praise
- * Coupons for Classroom Privileges (i.e. sit with the teacher for lunch, have a stuffed animal at your desk for the day...)
- * Stickers/Stamps
- * Occasional sweet treat
- * Prize Box

Consequences:

- * Verbal Warnings
- * Note or Phone Call to Parents



* A Visit to the “Do Nothing Chair”

Classroom Website:

I use the classroom website as one of my means of communication. It contains all the information needed for each week’s memory verse and sight words. This is also the place that I will place my assignments that we will use in the event of an E-Day. I will also try to keep posting current pictures in our classroom gallery for you to enjoy. You can access the website by going to mtelliselementary.org>Academics>Faculty & Staff>Mrs. Johnson. I will not be sending home a hard copy of the newsletter. Remember the most important school announcements will also be published in the weekly school email.

Lunch/Snack:

A hot lunch is provided by the school once per week (Mondays), but the other three days (Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday) your child must come to school with a pre-made lunch. Please do not send cup-o-noodles, or microwavable mac and cheese dinners. These meals cause a long line at the microwave and students miss out on recess time. Also, students are asked to bring a mid-morning snack **everyday**. If they forget to pack a snack, the school will provide one.

Rest Time

From 12:15-1:45 everyday the Pre-K and Kindergarten classes will be having a rest time. Students who stay all day must bring a trifold **sleeping mat, pillow, and blanket**. This is a quiet resting time for all. Students who cannot fall asleep may listen to a story that I will play during that time. The students are asked to lay down and remain still on their mats during this time.

School Supplies: (see supply list online)

Students must bring the supplies listed on the supply list. Please follow the list closely and stick to the brands listed. Each student needs a complete change of clothes i.e. socks, underwear, pants, shirt etc. to be left at school. Sometimes accidents happen, also clothes can get wet or dirty at recess.. Students must bring a backpack to school daily. This is the most secure and convenient way to transport materials and important papers to and from school. Please be sure to write your child’s name on their personal belongings. Also make sure your child comes to school rested and ready to learn. They need a good night’s sleep each school night, and a healthy breakfast each morning!

If you ever have any questions or concerns feel free to call, text or schedule a personal meeting. My number is (423)-509-5145 or email me at kaila.johnson@mtelliselementary.org.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Johnson

