### Welcome to Fifth Grade!

Dear Room 87 Students and Families,

I am so excited to be your teacher this year! This is my second year at Gray's Woods and I am happy to be back. Please see my website for some information about me, our daily schedule, our specials schedule, and a copy of this letter- <a href="https://www.scasd.org/Page/40008">https://www.scasd.org/Page/40008</a>. My last name is pretty tricky to pronounce so I go by Ms. Monte!

### **Need to Know Information**

- We will take a snack break every day so please bring in a healthy snack if you want one. I have a life threatening peanut allergy so we will be <u>peanut free</u> for snack. Lunch does not have to be peanut free. Items that contain other nuts or say "may contain traces of peanuts" or "manufactured in the same facility as peanuts" are fine. I apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.
- Green take-home folders will come home everyday so please check them out each night. I'll admit that these will often be empty, but it's great to get in the habit of looking at them! You will check them for notes from home and then put them in your mailbox each morning.
- Bus buddies (fifth grade students helping kindergarteners get to their bus/parent pick-up/CEEL) will begin the second week of school. We will be paired with Ms. Raney's class.
- You will need your own pair of headphones everyday at school.
- Some students will switch teachers for math class and some will stay with me. These classes are flexible and students may change teachers throughout the year depending on their needs.
- Donations of hand sanitizer, extra snacks, and clorox wipes would be greatly appreciated!

### **Important Dates**

• 8/22- First Day of School

- 8/25- No School
- 9/4- No School
- 9/6- Open House/Ice Cream Social (5:30-6:30pm)

Fifth grade is a time of such growth and learning! While we will do a lot of academic work, we will also focus on becoming positive and productive citizens, students, and friends. I promise that this classroom will be a safe, comfortable, and encouraging learning environment for all students. Your happiness and safety are my top priority. I will do my best to make you smile or laugh everyday. I look forward to the relationships that I will build not only with my students, but also your families!

See you on Tuesday, Ms. Monte

#### Parents/Guardians,

Please do not ever hesitate to reach out to me with questions, comments, or concerns. While I may not be able to respond to every email during the school day, I try to respond within two work days. If you do not hear from me by then, please feel free to reach out again. I will send out an email to families every Friday (or whatever the last day of the school week is) with announcements, important dates, and information on what we will be learning about in the coming week. Fair warning- I try to send as few emails as possible so sometimes my weekly emails are a bit long. On the upside, you can then find all of our classroom information in one place. If something has happened at home that may affect your child's behavior or mood that day, I would love to know so I can support them at school. We will be working as a team to ensure the success of your child!

Thank you, Audrey

## I'm looking forward to a great year!

## **Daily Schedule**

Arrival 7:55-8:10

Specials 8:15-9:05

Reading 9:10-10:45

Class Meeting 10:45-11:00

Lunch 11:06-11:36

Number Corner 11:35-11:55

Math 11:55-12:45

Recess 12:45-1:15

Writing 1:15-1:55

Science/SS (Unit) 1:55-2:50

Dismissal 2:55-3:05

# **Specials Schedule**

Day 1- Music (Shafer)

Day 2- Library (Snyder)

Day 3- STEM (Petersen)

Day 4- P.E. (Lloyd)

Day 5- Art (Stallings)