Mrs. Jeanmarie Derby

Grade 2

1. **Snack / Lunch** = JSS is completely peanut and tree nut free. Please do not send any snacks, treats, or lunches that contain nuts (including Nutella) due to airborne allergies, as we also have nut allergies in our class. Snack will be at approximately 10:15 each day and our lunch/recess hour is 12:05 – 1:05
2. **Homework** = Homework is given daily to reinforce the days’ lessons and to ensure that each student has independent knowledge of the assigned subject.
3. **Planner** = Please read and initial your child’s planner daily. This will show your child that his/her parent and I are working together to ensure all assignments have been completed. It will also help to keep you informed of what we are learning and any upcoming tests/assignments.
4. **Accelerated Reader/Reading Accountability Sheet** = Each student has been given a reading range and personal point goal to work toward.

The Reading Accountability Sheet is to be completed daily. Your child should be reading for a minimum of 15 minutes Monday-Thursday. After reading, the student is asked to write the title of the book they are reading and the date on the sheet. Parents are asked to sign the reading sheet Monday through Thursday night.

If your child does not have a book to read from home or the public library, the students can read books online for free through Bookflix and Libby which are both Apps on their Classlink or they can go to Epic! (our class code is jqk9693). To find a book that is within your child’s reading level, log on to the AR book finder at: <http://www.arbookfinder.com./>

You can search the title of a book your child is interested in reading and see the book level OR look under "Advanced Search". and follow these steps:

* Advanced Search
* Interest Level (Lower Grades K-3)
* ZPD Range/ATOS Level Book Level   \_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_

1. **Weekly Progress Report** = This is a weekly notice sent home every Friday to inform each parent of their child’s academic progress, behavior, and homework record. It will also indicate the level and percentage your child has reached for AR for the week. Please sign and have your child return the report to me every Monday.
2. **E-Mail Notifications** = Throughout the year I will be sending Class emails to inform you of any activities, games, helpful iPad apps, or to send photos.
3. **iPads =** Each student has been given an iPad. Please ensure that your child’s iPad comes to school every day and is fully charged.
4. **Monday Test Folder** = Every Monday I will send home any tests or quizzes that have been given during the past week for you to peruse and sign. This takes the guesswork out of wondering when your child will be bringing home the test. Please remember to ask your child for it. Sign and return each test/quiz and have your child return the folder to me on Tuesday.
5. **Take Home Folder** = The notice folder will come home with your child daily. One side of the folder has been labeled “Stays at Home.” Please remove those notices from the folder daily. The other side has been labeled “Bring Back to School.” That side is designated for any handouts that the students have been assigned to complete at home or for notices that may require a signature. Please read, sign, or fill out any notices on that side and then return them to your child’s folder. It will be collected the next day.
6. **Rewards** = (1) Each week every student that has completed all class/homework assignments and has behaved appropriately, (as indicated on our Weekly Progress Report) will have the opportunity to win a “Prize Box” item through a class raffle.

(2) Each time your child achieves a new level for AR they will receive a “Free Homework Night” pass to be used whenever is most convenient for you.

(3) As a class, the students can collectively earn “Derby Dollars.” A Derby Dollar will be given any time they receive a compliment from myself or a Special Area teacher. They can earn two Derby Dollars if they are given a compliment by Mr. Lee or Mr. Riccobono. If at the end of every month the class has earned ten Derby Dollars, they will be rewarded with a free-time Friday activity.

1. **Handle With Care!** = If your family is experiencing difficulties at home, I would like to provide additional support at school. I understand that you are not always able to share details and that’s okay. If your child is coming to school after a difficult night, morning, or weekend, please email me “Handle With Care” before your child’s arrival to school. Nothing else will be said or asked. This will let me know that your child may need extra time, extra attention, or extra support during the day.
2. **Parties** = Birthdays are celebrated throughout the year. To celebrate each child’s birthday, the class and I will make the birthday boy/girl feel special by playing a “Birthday Blooket” of their choice in their honor. \*OPTIONAL – if you would like to send in a small snack for the class that would be fine. I simply ask the snack to be exactly the same for everyone, and again, completely nut free. Summer birthdays will be celebrated at the “Half Birthday” so they can be celebrated in school with their classmates. For example, if a birthday is on August 4th, we can celebrate the half birthday on February 4th.
3. **Extra Help** = Extra Help will be offered every **Monday** morning for **Math** at 8:15 and every **Tuesday** morning for **Total ELA** (reading, speaking, comprehension, grammar, writing, and listening) at 8:15. Please have your child come with questions.
4. **OUR CLASS PAGE** = Please visit our site for information about our Class Schedule or to connect to any of our additional practice links.

To access our Class Page:

Copy and paste the URL below:

<https://jderbyfranklinsquare1996.weebly.com/>

or while visiting the John Street School Site:

-Click on “School Directory”

-Scroll Down to “Teacher Pages”

-Then Select Mrs. Derby’s Class

1. **CLASSLINK** = Is one place the students can log into where everything we are using in the classroom is right at their fingertips.
2. **ABSENCE –** Please notify the **Nurse** if your child is going to be absent. If you would like for me to prepare the days’ work to be sent home, please contact the **Main Office** to request the work by 8:15 am.
3. **CHANGE IN DISMISSAL –** If your dismissal plans change, please notify the **Main Office** directly. I do not have the opportunity to check my emails throughout the day, as I am teaching and working with the students. Once you call the Main Office, they will call me to notify me of the change.