

# WELCOME TO 1ST GRADE

My name is Mrs. O'Connor and I will be your child's first-grade teacher this year at EDUPRIZE. I'm super excited to be part of your child's educational journey. Here are a few tidbits about me. This is my 5th year at EDUPRIZE. I live in Mesa, AZ and have two children (Jayce-16 and Thomas-33). I am fostering a Shepherd/Labrador mix dog and her 10 puppies. I have 4 chickens that lay wonderful eggs for me everyday. I also love gardening!

First-grade is going to be filled with exciting adventures and new skills. As the year begins, we will get to know one another and create a safe and comfortable learning environment in our classroom. Our academics are solid and engaging and will help your child thrive in school. We will be studying the following Cottages: Wavelength Arcade, Plymouth Plantation, Resource Resort, and Bird House. This year will be a great experience for all of us!

Open house is on Monday, July 20th, 2026, from 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. . If you are unable to attend this time, I will be available throughout the day. This is a good time to bring in the supplies that are listed on the second page of this letter. I will be available to answer questions, give a classroom tour, and show you where you will line up on the first day of school. You will also pick up important carpool information from the gym on this day.

The first day of school is Wednesday, July 22nd, 2026. Please do not forget that you need to be on time the first day in order to hold your spot at EDUPRIZE. Our school day begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 2:30 p.m. On Friday, our day begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 11:15 a.m. I will pick up the students at 7:55 a.m. each morning at our designated area OUTSIDE near the playground.

I can't wait to meet you to begin our successful collaboration in your child's educational journey. - Mrs. O'Connor

# Mrs. O'Connor's Supply List

Welcome to First Grade!

Just in case you wish to do your "Back to School" shopping early, here is a list of supplies you can contribute at Open House:

- 1 inch, white 3 ring binder (open front for cover sheet)
- 1 pencil box (not a pencil pouch, no zippers)
- 1 box Crayola 24 count crayons
- 1 pair Fiskars kid scissors
- 1 red two pocket folder WITH brackets
- 1 green two pocket (with or without brackets) folder
- 1 yellow two pocket (with or without brackets) folder
- 1 - pkg. thin black dry erase markers
- 1-composition notebook
- 1- wide ruled one subject spiral notebook them
- 1 - set of headphones , please open the package and write your child's name on (\*\*No ear buds please, they are very difficult for first graders to use\*\*)
- 3 -rolls of paper towels
- 1 hand sanitizer
- 2 boxes of Kleenex
- 1 ream of white copy paper
- GIRLS - 1 package of baby wipes
- BOYS- 1 container of CLOROX wipes

See You Soon!

\*\*Optional Items\*\* Treasure Box Item