

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

**Hello!** My name is Mrs. Beth Rockwell, and I am blessed to teach 1st and 2nd grade this year. I am a graduate of Martin Luther College in New Ulm, MN, and reside in Kenosha, WI. In addition to teaching, my other school duties will include playing organ for worship services, coaching, and being Athletic Director. I am excited to be able to share the love of Christ with your child and pray that God blesses our work together.



**Contact Info:**

- Call the office for matters of urgency during the school day:  
[847-362-4424](tel:847-362-4424)
- Before and after school, I can be reached at the classroom phone:  
[847-362-4424](tel:847-362-4424) ext. 2004
- I will also check my email before and after school:  
[beth.rockwell@stjohnslib.com](mailto:beth.rockwell@stjohnslib.com)
- If you need to reach me personally, my cell phone number is:  
[262-914-2090](tel:262-914-2090)

**Communication:**

- The classroom newsletter will be sent out weekly: in the students' red folders, through email, and on the classroom website.
- Weekly progress reports will also be sent home in their red folders.
- In the classroom, we use ClassDojo to communicate to parents about how the students do throughout the day. Let me know if you have any questions about how it works!
- Please feel free to contact me through email, phone, or ClassDojo. I will get back to you as soon as I can.



### **Red Folders:**

Every Friday (or last school day of the week) your child will receive their corrected work and reports in a red communication folder. All parents/caregivers are asked to read through the classroom newsletter, review student work, check progress reports, and return the signed form to the classroom teacher after the weekend.



### **Grading & Homework:**

Where percentage grading applies, the following grading scale is used:

- A 93-100%
- B 85-92%
- C 77-84%
- D 70-76%
- F 69% or less

Where percentage grading does not apply, the following will be used:

- E Excellent
- S Satisfactory/Good
- N Needs Improvement
- U Unsatisfactory

If a student's work is less than 71%, they will be required to make corrections, and the new grade will be entered.

Each week, students will receive progress reports. Parent/caregiver-teacher conferences are scheduled two times during the school year. The first trimester and second trimester reports are discussed in conferences between parents/caregivers and teachers. Parents/caregivers may access their child's progress at any time on [teacherease.com](http://teacherease.com)

Your child will also have an assignment page that goes home every night in a black folder. Please check to make sure all your child's work is done and sign the assignment page.



### **Discipline & Expectations:**

In order for the classroom to run smoothly and establish a loving Christian environment, there are some classroom rules that students will be expected to follow during the year. They are:

- Treat each other with Christian love and respect.
- Take care of personal and school property.
- Students may engage in any behavior that does not create a problem for anyone else.

Consequences will be designed to fit the problems of individual students, and they may differ even when problems appear to be the same. Some examples are:

- A visual or verbal reminder: The student will be reminded that their behavior is not appropriate and correct it.

- Removal from class: The student will take a break from the class until he/she is ready to return with proper behavior.
- Oral/written reflection: The student will discuss with the teacher what happened and choose an appropriate consequence, if needed.
- Natural consequence: The student will learn from their own actions without teacher enforcement.
- Parent/caregiver contact: If the student does not respond to any of the previous consequences, the parents or caregivers will be contacted.

God's Law and Gospel will be applied when discussing discipline in the classroom. Please share these rules and consequences with your child before the first day of school. We will be reviewing them in class as well.



### **Safe Child Information:**

All St. John Lutheran employees, assistants, and chaperones go through Safe Child training every year. If parents wish to be chaperones for school events, they need to become Safe Child certified, and can contact Kiara in the office for more information.