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Dear Students (and Parents), (please read this to your child)

I hope that you are enjoying a fun and safe summer. I am looking forward to being your First Grade teacher for a truly amazing year! Here are a few things that you can do to be ready on the first day:

- Put your name (big) and your take home bus # (small) on a nametag, along with my name (small) so our staff can direct you to Room #15
- Bring your backpack (labeled with your name)
- Bring a small and nutritious snack and drink (we will only have 10 minutes to eat)
- If you aren't buying lunch from the cafeteria, bring a lunch and drink from home in a lunchbox (labeled with your name)
- Bring the supplies listed on our First Grade Supply List that is posted on our school website
- Bring 1 10-pack of Broad Line Crayola markers
- Girls- bring a 12oz pump bottle of hand sanitizer (for the classroom)
- * Boys- bring 1 pump bottle of hand soap (for the classroom)
- Optional- bring 1 large box of tissues, or 1 roll of paper towels for the classroom
- ♦ Wear a smile ②

Let me tell you a little bit about myself! I started as the World Language teacher for five years here at Sunnymead School, and taught Spanish from Kindergarten through fourth grade. Then, I was given the opportunity to have my own Kindergarten classroom for nine years. Now, this will be my fifth year teaching first grade, and I absolutely love it!!!

I have a ten-year-old son named Dominic, an eight-year-old daughter named Sadie, a five-year-old daughter named Delaney, and some chickens that lay eggs for us to eat. My family loves going to the playground, hiking, biking, swimming, and playing sports—pretty much anything outside! My favorite colors are turquoise and teal, the beach is my happy place, I love dark chocolate, I've been playing the piano since I was six years old, and I LOVE to read. Also, you'll probably see a coffee in my hand every morning, because I love coffee! \odot

Enjoy the rest of your summer, but get ready for a fun and exciting year in first grade!!! We will be busy learning and playing together...AND I CAN'T WAIT!

Love, Mrs. Risoli xoxo