Dear First-Grade Family,

I hope you have been enjoying the summer. I also hope you and your child are excited and getting ready for first grade. That means reading, writing, and counting to 100. It also means working on being independent. Take a moment and think how independent your first grader is. Can they tie their shoes? Can they zip their coat and backpack? Can they pack their backpack? Think about what 'independence' skills your child should practice before school starts.

The only thing your child will need on the first day of school is a backpack, a lunch, and a couple of healthy snacks. Remember that the snack should be healthy and easy to eat. Something that your child can hold in their hand and does not need a spoon would be best. Please do not send snacks that contain peanuts/nuts because our school has several students with severe allergies.

See you soon,
Julianne Clark

IMPORTANT 2026-27 SCHOOLYEAR DATES

8/25: Lower School Meet & Greet 3:00-4:00 pm. Drop in to see your classroom, meet your teachers and classmates, and bring any school supplies.
8/26: First Day of classes at the Lower School
(Front doors open at 8:00 am, school starts promptly at 8:25 am)
8/28: K-12 Dragon Dance 2:15-3:00 Parents are invited to come watch this SGS traditional event.
9/3: Back to School Night 6:00 Parents are invited to come to a presentation by their students teacher and specialists
12/17: Lower School Winter Concert 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

3/26/2027: First-Grade Penguin Party following performance at Friday Assembly
5/12/2027: First-Grade Play Rumpus in the Rainforest 2:30
5/13/2027: First-Grade Play Rumpus in the Rainforest 8:45