## Welcome Bowman First Graders!

Dear First Grader,
We are going to have so much fun learning this year. I can't wait to meet you. First grade is exciting! You will learn many new things and make new friends. First graders learn independence and how to problem solve. Here are some things that you can practice to help you be ready for first grade!

- Tie your shoes/zip and button clothing.
- Write your first and last name with correct capital and lowercase letters.
- Say your full address.
- Count to 100.
- Write all numbers from 1 to 20 (no reversals).
- Practice addition and subtraction facts to 10.
- Say the days of the week starting with Sunday.
- Write your ABC's in capital and lowercase.
- Practice the sounds of all of the letters.
- Practice reading these words: First Grade Words .

Here is the link to the supplies that all first graders will need to have when they start school: Bowman School Supply Lists K-2 .

The children in our class will also need:

- Please do not purchase baggies!
- Crayola 10 pack markers: Boys Broad Line, Girls Fine Line

In order to make your child's first day of school a smooth and easy one, please help by making sure his/her supplies are ready to use. Take all of the supplies out of the packaging. Sharpen all \#2 pencils ahead of time. Place 1 box of crayons, 1 pink eraser, 4 sharpened pencils, 1 dry erase marker, 1 glue sticks and scissors inside of the supply box. Then, put all of the extra supplies inside of a large Ziploc bag labeled with your child's name. Please put headphones in another large Ziploc bag labeled with your child's name. Please bring ALL of the supplies to school with you on your scheduled conference day. With your help, we can start learning and doing great things right away! We are going to have a wonderful year. See you soon.

Please follow the directions above and remember to bring supplies to your child's conference!
Sincerely,

## M. Beth Ann Tharp

