

A word about the "routines" I have that will help us keep in touch more easily:

Daily Take-Home Folders -In an effort to help students learn responsibility and to help you and I communicate better, I will send home a teal colored folder **every night** with your child. Please help your child remember to show you the folder and return it to school the next day. I will be putting notes for you and/or homework in it. There are times when the folder may come home empty. I still want your child to show it to you, and remember to bring it back the next day. This "homework habit" will carry your child all through his or her school career.

Reading Homework Book— Learning to read and becoming a proficient reader requires daily practice, just like learning to play the piano. Please read with your child at least 5 nights a week. Whatever other homework your child may have, you can count on reading every night. At first you may be reading *to* your child, eventually your child will be reading *to* you! When you read with your child, please write down the title and initial the calendar page inside the reading homework book, so I can mark the homework done.

Parent Survey— Please take a few moments to fill out the "Parent Survey" and return it to me by the end of the week. You are the expert on your child, and your input is important in helping my plan learning experiences for your child.

Please check the Fernan Folder for PTO forms, Lunch forms and any other things that need to be returned to school. You can return these things to me in the daily take home folder, and I will get it to the right place for you.

Feel free to contact me anytime with concerns or questions.

