

Grade 5 G
2017-2018
Ms. M. Gosse



Class Information

Welcome to grade 5! My name is Ms. Gosse and I am thrilled to have the opportunity to teach your child! I graduated from the University of Alberta with an Elementary education major, and an educational psychology minor. I have enjoyed working at Caledonia Park School since 2014 and I am looking forward to another year!

This year in Grade 5 we have approximately 23 students. It is a great group of kids and I am excited to be their teacher.

This package will contain useful information that you may need for the upcoming school year! Please remember to feel free to contact me at anytime for further information on specific school or student related topics! The best way is through e-mail - melissa.gosse@blackgold.ca

You can access more information about grade 5 and the Alberta Curriculum on the Black Gold Engaging Students webpage.

1. Agendas:

Each child has an agenda that he/she should bring to school on a daily basis. We will use this agenda to send any pertinent information home. Please check your child's agenda each day for any notes/letters that may have been sent.

You may also use the agenda to send any notes to school and you are welcome to write a short note for the teacher in the agenda itself. Please initial the agenda every day after your child has completed his/her homework. If they do not have homework on that particular day, please initial the agenda so I know that you have looked through it for notes or other information.

2. Art Supplies needed:

Students will have the basic art supplies with them in their desks. If there are other objects or supplies needed, I will send home a note in the agenda.

3. Book orders:

Each month, book orders may be sent from Scholastic Canada. The Scholastic book order program is completely voluntary. You may simply wish to use the order forms as a guide as to what are grade appropriate reading materials. If you do choose to order books, please fill out the order form and return them by the date recorded in your child's agenda. Please send CHEQUES or EXACT CHANGE along with your order. You pay also pay online.

4. Communication:

E-mail notices: E-mail is an excellent tool to communicate with your teacher(s). If there are any concerns I can be reached at melissa.gosse@blackgold.ca ; or I may reach you via email also. Please be sure to fill out the attached form with the correct information. Your email address will not be shared with any other person.

Newsletters: Monthly school newsletters will be posted on the school's website with important information, dates and upcoming events.

5. Phys. Ed:

Please ensure that your child has appropriate footwear and gym clothes for each class. Shorts, sweat pants, or loose fitting pants (no jeans, or skirts) and a t-shirt would be considered good Phys. Ed. attire. Your child will have to sit out if he/she does not have a change of clothes and/or appropriate footwear.

6. Library book exchange:

We will have library once per week. At each borrowing period, the students will be given an opportunity to sign out two books. One book must be a chapter book of an appropriate reading level, the second may be a book of their choosing.

8. Lunch:

The children eat their lunch at 12:00 in our classroom. They are expected to remain seated in their desks while eating. There will be one microwave available for our class to heat their lunch. There could be many students needing the microwave, which will limit the time they have to eat. Each student will get a maximum of 45 sec. to re-heat their food. It will not be used for cooking frozen meals. If your child likes warm lunches, please send it in a thermos. There is also a hot lunch program at our school. This can be done online.

9. Snacks:

The students have time to eat a snack during the morning recess. Please ensure that your child has a healthy choice of snack at this time. Some examples are: a piece of fruit, carrot sticks, a muffin, or a granola bar.

10. Toys at school:

Toys are not allowed in the classroom. It would be preferred that your child not bring any toys to school at all. All too often, precious items are lost or broken.

13. Lockers:

Each student will be assigned a locker. They are responsible for the condition of their locker throughout the year. It is their option if they wish to have a lock on it or not. If you would like your child to have a lock please ensure that they are able to lock and unlock it using the combination. No key locks please!

I look forward to meeting you and to our joint effort in your child's education!
Thank you,

Ms. M. Gosse

Parent Information Grade 5



What are the expectations for my child this year in your class?

- To respect ALL people and equipment of our room.
- To have all appropriate supplies at their desk and be ready to work.
- To listen to the teacher and follow directions.
- To study and do their best.
- To be responsible for meeting deadlines in assignments.

How can I help my child be more successful this year in school?

- Encourage your child to read to you every night.
- Ask to see notes, tests and assignments.
- Encourage a nightly review or homework routine.
- Encourage the use of an agenda.

What are the expectations for homework?

Time is given in class to start and finish most assignments. Anything that is not completed during the allotted class time will be sent home to finish. There may be circumstances where the students are asked to complete a special assignment at home. In these cases, homework will be written in their agenda with the due date.

I am very excited to teach your child this year! Together we can make this a fabulous learning experience for your child. If you ever have any questions or concerns throughout the year, please feel free to give me a call at the school (780.986.7888) or email me at melissa.gosse@blackgold.ca