



OUCHI'S OUTTAKES

AUGUST 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST

- 9 - Meet Your Teacher
8:30AM-9:30AM Last Names: A-L
10:00AM-11:00AM Last Names: M-Z
- 12 - First Day of School

SEPTEMBER

- 2 - LABOR DAY HOLIDAY (No School)
- 10 - Curriculum Night 6:00PM - 7:00PM
- 11 - 1st Qtr. Interims Issued
- 20 - Teacher Inservice (No School)
- 26 - Picture Day

OCTOBER

- 11 - 1st Qtr Ends
- 14 - Teacher Planning Day
(No school)

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

- OFFICE (904) 547-7450
- HEALTH CLINIC (904) 547-7462
- CAFETERIA (904) 547-7466

WELCOME TO FOURTH GRADE

I wanted to say hello and welcome everyone to our class. My name is Mr. Ouchi (o-oo-chee). Most people just go with Mr. O. This is my 8th year at Hickory Creek Elementary, with the first 2 years in 5th grade before moving to 4th. I am very familiar with what needs to be done in preparation for next year, so I will do my best to help get your child ready.

I'm going to apologize ahead of time for all the papers and info that may need to be signed and/or turned in the next few weeks. Beginning of the year is always crazy with forms. Please check your child's take home folder daily. I will be having him/her place it in his/her binder. On Friday's we will empty mailboxes and I ask that you please check and empty them before the next week.



CLASS WEBSITE

Please take a second to familiarize yourself with our class webpage and bookmark it on your computer's address bar. I will go over it more when we have our Back to School Night. I do utilize our website to post newsletters, study guides, class pictures, and access to our curriculum.

Here is our class website address:
<https://teachers.stjohns.k12.fl.us/ouchi-s/>



SUPPLIES

We will be spending time on the first day of school getting our binder and notebooks organized in preparation for notes and studying. Please let me know if you are having trouble finding any supply list items as we will begin using the spiral notebooks and binders right away.

In class we will be adding a planner and take home folder to your child's binder as well as organizing his/her plastic tabs. If you would like to label the 5 plastic tabs ahead of time, please put them in this order.

Tab 1 - Stuff-N-Things

Tab 2 - ELA

Tab 3 - Math

Tab 4 - Science

Tab 5 - Social Studies

You can also place his/her pencil case in front of the tabs and I will let your child know what to place in it as we organize his/her supplies on Thursday.



WATER & SNACKS

Please make sure to send your child with a water bottle and a snack everyday. We do have water fountains that can be used for refilling bottles and with the humidity, students will need to make sure he/she hydrates during the day.

Also try to send in a healthy snack and please have a discussion with your child that we can't share snacks or food at school, even if someone asks. We do have allergies in class so we don't want to have any allergic reactions.

With our schedule, we do not really have a snack break since we do have an earlier lunch. On Wednesdays, we do not have related arts and will take a break since our morning is pretty long. Please make sure to send in a snack on Wednesdays.



HICKORY CREEK PTO

Please take a second to support our PTO. They do a lot of great things for our campus and our students.

Here is their link: <https://www.hcepto.org/>



ABOUT MY CLASS

- All my emails will have the subject heading **HCES: Ouchi** - on them so that you can find my emails quickly. I will attach a subject after so you know what they are about.
- Any absences must go through the office, not me, and doctor's notes must be turned in, not on an email. You can notify me of your child's absence, which is helpful, but it is up to you to contact the office and provide a note. Please do not email me a note to send. They will not take those.
- If your child is leaving early, you must contact the office. If you email me, I may not be on my email and won't see it. Contact the office and they will find me to let me know.
- Sometimes my phone is not the most reliable piece of technology. Please email me if possible or contact the office.



EVERY KID OUTDOORS

Fourth graders are fortunate enough to be able to see all of America's natural wonders and historic sites for free. The program Every Kid Outdoors provided by our government gives fourth graders a chance, with a voucher, to have access to these places for an entire year.

Vouchers will be passed out at Meet the Teacher, the day before school, or sent home on Friday of the first week of school. Save these as I will not be able to print more. Look for instructions on how to use them on our class website. Hopefully your family is able to visit some of these sites!



AMAZON WISH LIST

On the bottom of emails, under my signature, you will notice a link for our class website and our class Amazon wish list.

If you would like to donate items for the class, I will place items in there throughout the year for things that we could use in our room.

CLASS WISH LIST

GRADE LEVEL SHIRTS

At Open House or coming home the first day of school, and is also attached to our webpage, will be a form for grade level shirts. We will use them for grade level events, field trips, and spirit days. We are also including adult sizes incase you would like to order one too!

If you would like to donate a shirt for a student who may not be able to afford one, please just indicate that on your form and add it to your totals. We will select the size for any student who does not purchase one. This is voluntary and I thank you for your donation if you choose that option.

