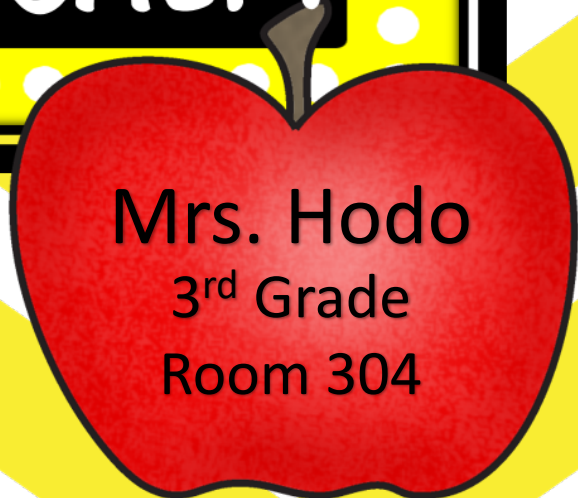




Welcome to
Meet the Teacher!



2019-
2020



Mrs. Hodo
3rd Grade
Room 304



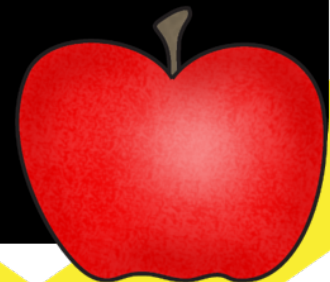
About the Teacher

Education: Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies (Elementary Education) from Azusa Pacific University

Personal Life: I have been married for 23 years to my wonderful husband, Rob. I have two daughters (Rachel-21 and Rebecca-19). Both daughters attended Avaxat from Kindergarten through 5th Grade! I also have a cat (Oreo) and a crazy dog named Kona.

Experience: This is my sixth year as a full-time teacher. I was a sub at Avaxat for 9 years before becoming your child's teacher and have been working with children for over twenty years.

Hobbies/Interests: Singing, Traveling, Reading, Creating





Supply List

The school has supplied your child with the following items: binder, pencil pouch, 1 spiral notebook, dividers, and an agenda.

Your child will need: 3 sharpened pencils, 3 highlighters (pink, yellow, green), 1 glue stick, 1 dry erase marker, and 1 large eraser.

Optional items: 1-24 count box of crayons, headphones, labeled water bottle.

If you would like to purchase supplies for the classroom, we will use whiteboard markers, glue sticks, white glue, pencils, colored pencils (12 count), markers (10 count), tissues, Lysol wipes, resealable plastic bags (snack, sandwich, and gallon size), white copy paper, astrobrights colored paper, pink erasers, highlighters, and treasure box items for the end of the school year.

Your donations are greatly appreciated!





Behavior Plan

Class Dojo

- Free App
- Includes Classroom Communication
- Receive Daily Feedback (Positive and Negative)
- Students Earn Points To Purchase Supplies Or Rewards
- Can View Student Work And Photos
- You Can Turn The Dojo App Notifications On or Off





Behavior Plan

To encourage positive behavior the following methods will be used in the classroom:

Dojo Points (Individual)-Points are earned by being on the top two spots on the behavior chart (blue-1 or purple-2). Points can be used to buy rewards or spent at the student store. **(Whole Class)**-The class will earn points for great behavior in assemblies, being respectful to classroom volunteers/visitors, or getting ready quickly and quietly. These points are added to the Class Dojo points!

Table Points (Table Groups)-Points are awarded to table groups and tallied at the end of the week. The winning table group earns extra points on Class Dojo!





Behavior Plan

Gator Gold (Schoolwide)-Students can earn Gator Gold bucks from any staff member for following the school expectations. Students can choose to use their bucks two ways.

1. Collect 10 bucks and turn them in to the library for a prize.

Ms. T, our librarian, will be tracking how many bucks the student turns in. If a child turns in 100 Gator bucks in the school year, he/she gets to attend Pizza with the Principals.

2. Put bucks in the third grade box in the office to be entered in a drawing. If the child's name is chosen, he/she can choose a prize for the whole class. Prizes include extra recess, PJ day, wear a hat in class, etc.





Behavior Plan

Sometimes students choose to make the wrong choice. If a student is not following school or class rules the following will occur:


1st Offense: Verbal Warning

2nd Offense: Fill Out a Stop and Think Form (Low Level Referral)

3rd Offense: Fill Out a Let's Reflect Form (Low Level Referral + Parent Signature Required)

4th Offense: If the behavior continues, the student may lose recess time or be sent out of the classroom.

Note: Do not be alarmed if your student tells you they wrote their name on a form during the first few weeks of school. It is not uncommon to see this as we learn the rules and expectations at the beginning of the year.





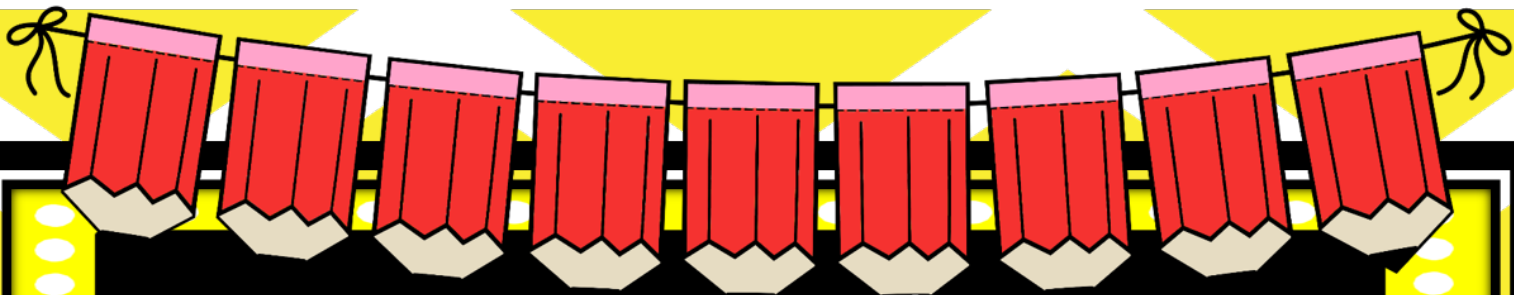
Breakfast & Lunch

Breakfast is served in the school cafeteria at 7:30a.m. Please make sure your child arrives early enough to finish breakfast before the morning bell rings. Your child will not be able to eat their breakfast in the classroom and will be marked absent/tardy if they are not in the room.

Lunch will be served at 11:50. Your child may bring cash or use an account to purchase lunches. Students may bring lunch from home. Please label their lunchboxes and water bottles with their name.

An application for free/reduced lunches was sent home in the welcome back envelope.





Snack Time

Please send your child with a healthy snack each day. A snack during morning recess will help your child focus better on the lesson when we get back in the classroom.

Birthdays

We love to celebrate your child's special day with him/her. Due to food allergies and the health needs of our students we are implementing 'NON-FOOD CELEBRATIONS'. If you choose to bring something for the entire class to celebrate your child's birthday we recommend the following: pencils, stickers, small games, or books.





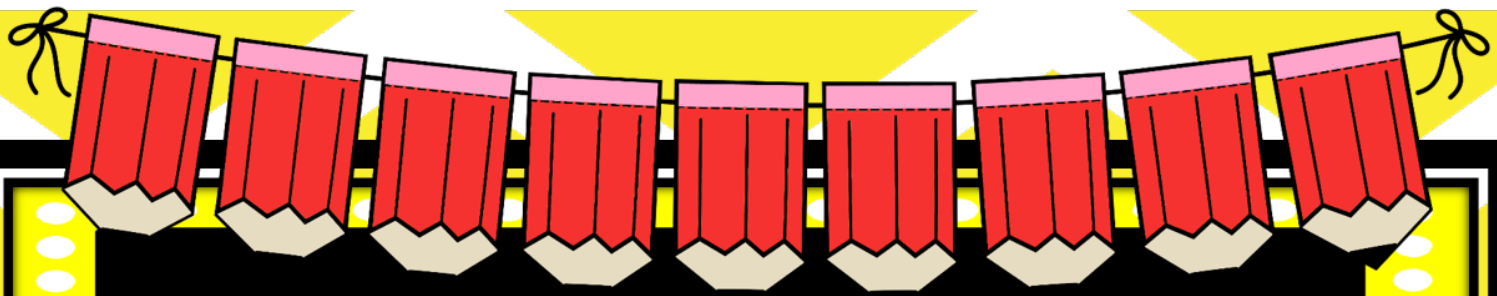
Dismissal

Students that pick up siblings or attend Avaxat's after school program will be dismissed from the classroom shortly after the bell rings.

Students that walk/ride or get picked up will be walked to the front of the school. If you are picking up your child, we will be past the Avaxat Elementary gate near the end of the drop off/pick up loop.

Dismissal-Most Mondays (1:20), Tuesday-Friday (2:15)





Curriculum

MATH-Go Math! California Common Core Edition

LANGUAGE ARTS-Benchmark Advance

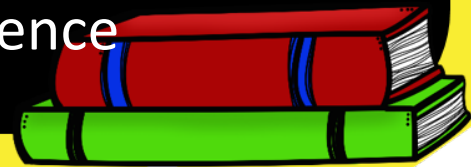
CORE LITERATURE-Charlotte's Web, Stuart Little, Frindle,
The Giving Tree

SPELLING-Benchmark Advance

WRITING-Benchmark, 7 Traits of Writing

SOCIAL STUDIES-Harcourt Brace

SCIENCE-Macmillan Science, Mystery Science



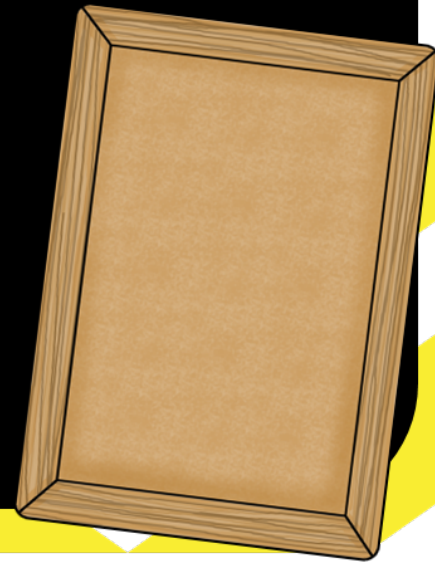


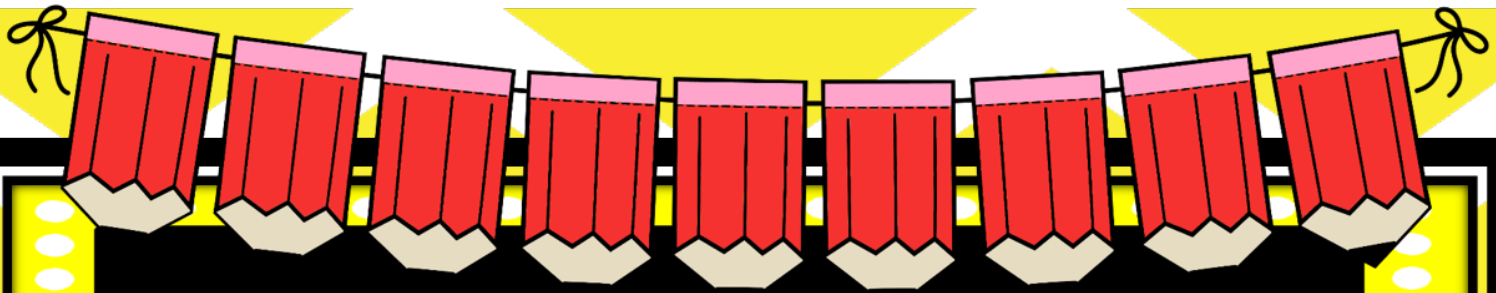
Communication

Communication between home and school is vital to your child's success in the classroom.

You will be notified about important events, updates, and classroom activities through:

- Paper notices-Please check your child's agenda and binder daily.
- E-mail-Please make sure I have your current e-mail address.
- MVUSD app-Download the app on your phone/device.
- Facebook-Please visit Avaxat's Facebook page to stay informed about school events.



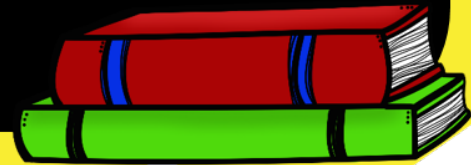


Homework

**Homework is an opportunity to practice what was covered in class.
It is a way to communicate all the new skills your child is learning.**

Homework will be sent in your child's binder on Monday. Please return the homework and binder each day. Students will get points in Class Dojo for returning the homework which will be collected on Friday. There is no homework on Friday.

Please be sure to check your child's binder/agenda/homework folder often. It will be your best source of communication and may contain notices that will need to be signed and returned.

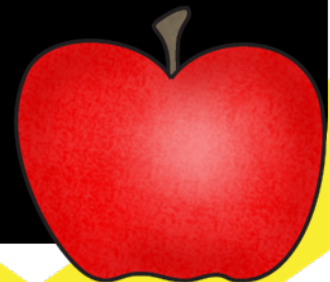




Common Core/Mindset

Common Core: See handout for common core standards. These numbers may be written on their assignments. California has added cursive writing to the standards.

Mindset: Our goal is to create a growth mindset in each student. Mistakes are okay in this classroom. Learning from the mistakes is the skill we want them to acquire.





AVID

What is AVID?-Advancement Via Individual Determination

Who participates?-Kindergarten through 5th Grade

Where can I go if I have questions?-Teacher, Administrator, avid.org

Why are we an AVID school?-To equip our students with the necessary skills to be successful throughout their lifetime.

How does it work?-AVID uses five components to support student learning.

W-Writing to Learn

I-Inquiry

C-Collaboration

O-Organization

R-Read to Learn





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Class Dojo

I am available to speak with you about your child most days after school. If you need to speak with me before school please schedule an appointment by contacting me through e-mail or the MVUSD app.





Questions?





Thanks!

Thank you for coming today.

Before you leave, please fill out the information and parent volunteer sheets. If you need more time to complete them, please return them to school tomorrow.

I am looking forward to a great year!

