



Hello First Grade Families!

As we prepare for the start of the new school year, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as your child's First Grade teacher. My name is MaryAnne Smith and this is my first year teaching first grade at St. Francis of Assisi School. I am so excited to meet your child and I know we will have a wonderful year of learning and growing together.

Let me tell you a little about myself. I grew up here in Springfield, where my mom still currently resides. I attended West Chester University, where I received my BS in Elementary Education. I hold a Level 1 teaching certificate and an ESL program specialist certificate. I taught 2nd grade for 5 years, three of which were here at St. Francis. I am a mom of two wonderful boys, Robert and Ryan and wife to my sweet husband Rob. When I am not at school I love to garden, bake, cook, bike and spend time with my family.

Teaching has always been a passion for me and I especially enjoy working with the primary grades. I know the value of a Catholic education and I am happy to be a part of your child's time here at St. Francis of Assisi.

And now for some school stuff...

Any summer work that was assigned before I came can be brought in the 1st week of school and will be marked for completion.

Please bring school supplies the first week of school. There is a link above that takes you to 1st grade's school supply list.

Lastly, I emailed a "Back To School" google form to gather some student information. If you can fill that out and hit submit before the beginning of school that would be great. Thank you.

Again, I am excited to meet my students and their families and I hope you enjoy these last days of summer!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Smith
First Grade Teacher
St. Francis of Assisi School

