

Dear Parents and Guardians:

I hope you all had a wonderful summer. I am looking forward to meeting each and every one of my new students and am looking forward to a phenomenal year. For all the returning families, I know you join me in wishing Ms. Anne a restful and fun retirement. She has left me very large shoes to fill; yet, I am excited to set up the room embracing the Montessori philosophy creating a productive and respectful learning environment for all.

I would like to take this opportunity to give you a quick overview of my teaching background so you have a chance to know me a little better. I began teaching in 1986. I taught at the high school level for 11 years, the middle school level for 10 years, and Montessori Peaks Academy for the past two years. I have a BA in Education, a Masters in Administration and Supervision, and both my lower and upper elementary certificates in Montessori education. I feel that all my experience has given me valuable information for preparing my students for middle school and beyond.

I am thrilled to have your child in my class this year and am looking forward to developing a wonderful relationship with you and your child. I encourage you to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. If you e-mail me, please keep in mind that I am only at the school periodically throughout the summer so it may take a little while to respond.

I will be in my classroom on August 12, from 3:00-6:00pm, and on August 13, from 8:00-11:30am, 2010 if you would like stop by and meet me and see the new classroom. I will also see you at the Back to School Night on September 2, at 6:30pm.

Looking forward to a great year, Ms. Shannon,

Shannon de Spirlet

2010-2011

Mrs. Shannon's Upper Elementary Supply List

#	Required Personal Use - Please Label	----
2	Large glue sticks (labeled)	
1	Composition notebook (new, hardback, any color)	
1	Set Highlighter pens (1 yellow, 1 pink, 1 blue, 1 green)	
1	5-Subject spiral notebook: new, wide ruled, any color	
1	Red Poly-Plastic 3 pronged two pocket folder (RED FOLDER for Homework)	
1	Blue Poly-Plastic 3 pronged two pocket folder (BLUE FOLDER for Class work)	
1*	USB Flash Drive (1 or 2 GB) (best if kept on lanyard w/name labeled on flash drive)	
1*	White (only) 2 inch three-ring binder	
1*	Zippered pencil pouch: any color, must be SOFT ~nylon, plastic, or cloth.	
1*	Pair of scissors which fits inside pencil pouch	
1*	Eraser and/or pencil cap erasers (keep some at home to replace throughout year)	
1*	Handheld pencil sharpener (may need to replace during the year)	
1*	6 inch ruler with centimeters and inches	
1*	Protractor for measuring angles (CLEAR is best!!)	

*items can be re-used from previous year

#	Required Classroom Use - do NOT label	----
24	#2 pencils Ticonderoga brand only!	
1	Package 24 Crayola Colored Pencils (Crayola brand only)	
1	Package Thick Crayola Classic Colors (Crayola brand only)	
1	Package Thin Crayola Classic Colors (Crayola brand only)	
1	Box of Tissue -no lotion please	
1	Package Loose Graph paper filler paper	
1	Package Dry Erase Markers any color prefer thin	

SPECIFIC GRADES BRING for Classroom Use - do NOT label		-----
	Fourth graders only:	-----
1	Ream plain white copy paper	
1	Sharpie black any size	
	Fifth graders only:	-----
1	Clorox wipes (large container)	
1	Pad " Post it notes "(3x3) any solid color	
	Sixth graders only:	-----
2	Ream colored copy paper (bright colors for publishing area)	
1	Pad "Post it notes" (3x3) any solid color	

