

## **First Grade Information**

**Welcome back to another year of school. I'm very excited about teaching first grade this year. For those parents who don't know me, I taught first grade last year. I graduated from Western Illinois University with a degree in elementary education. This is my eighth year in first grade after staying home for 13 years. My husband, Mark, graduated from Pearl City. He is a self-employed carpenter. We have two daughters. Megan and Nicole both graduated from Pearl City High School and are currently attending Rockford College.**

**Please read through the following information:**

**--School opens at 7:55 and starts at 8:00. Please send a note or call the school if there are any changes as to where your child is to go after school or an early release day.**

**--If your child is absent a day, please notify the office (815-443-2715). A note should accompany the student the day they return explaining why they were absent.**

**--Make sure you have paid your book rental and milk fees in the office.**

**--All of their school supplies should be labeled. I usually have extra supplies that they can use if they should happen to run out before they can be replaced.**

**--I need one or two PTO representatives, let me know if you are interested. The PTO rep. organizes the fun fair in March. The PTO meetings, for any parent, are the third Monday of the month at 6:30. I will have a sign up sheet at Meet the Teacher Night.**

**--Star of the Week—A different student will be featured every 2 weeks. The information regarding this will be sent home the week before your child is featured. Please try to include a few photos and his/her favorite book.**

**--Monthly book orders are an option. Make checks payable to the company if you decide to order books.**

**--Market Day—This is a money making project for the PTO. You will receive an order blank each month. You can return it to the classroom and I will make sure they are handed in on time. Try their great food items.**

**--Please have you child bring their RED homework folder and book bag back and forth to school everyday. Check for homework papers and important notes each night.**

**--Dates to remember: Meet the Teacher Night-Tuesday, Aug. 24 at 7:00**

**School Pictures-Wednesday, Sept. 8**

**Open House K-12-Thursday, Sept. 30**

**--School newsletter-Make sure you visit the PC web site. There should be new information monthly. (We hope to send a copy home for all first grade parents to read.)**

**--Handbooks-read this over, go over parts of it with your child, fill out information, and return it to school.**

**--I will be sending home a schedule for snacks. Each child will have two different weeks to bring snacks. We would like nutritional items, such as goldfish, graham crackers, popcorn, fruit etc. We eat at about 9:30 every day.**

**--It is very important to communicate with your child and me. Please feel free to call me at school (815-443-2715) or at home (815-443-2479).**

**Sincerely,  
Mrs. Lawler**