

Meet Your First Grade Team!



Ms. Costa, Classroom Teacher

Hello First Graders and Families! My name is Peyton Costa and I am your child's First Grade Classroom Teacher. I graduated from UMass Boston where I majored in Early Education and Care in Inclusive Settings with a minor in Psychology. This will be my third year teaching in Boston Public Schools, and my second year teaching first grade here at the Clap! My team and I have a lot of exciting things in store for this year and we are looking forward to getting started! We are here to work with you and your child, and to provide support in any way possible! When I am not teaching, I enjoy cooking, reading, spending time with my friends and family, and going to the beach! ☺

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Ms. Lucien, Learning Specialist

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Ms. Lucien, and I am very excited to be working with your child this year. I have been an educator for more than 8 years and have lived in Boston for most of my life. I graduated from Boston College with a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and completed a Master of Education at the University of Massachusetts Boston. Outside of teaching, I enjoy shopping at Target, traveling and dining at various restaurants. I am thrilled to be starting this year's journey with your child! I am looking forward to watching them learn, grow and experience joy in 1st grade!

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Ms. Wong, Learning Specialist

Hello First Grade Friends! My name is Farah Wong and I am so excited to join you on your 1st grade journey. I was born and raised in Boston and am proud to say that I am a Boston Public School graduate. I graduated from Boston College with a Bachelor of Arts in History and after some time teaching in various settings, completed a Masters of Education at UMass Boston. This will be my 7th year teaching at the Roger Clap Elementary School! In our class, we will learn and show our core values: **Persevere, Advocate, Collaborate and Kindness**. When I am not teaching, I enjoy spending time with my family, taking my son on adventures around the city and the world, traveling, reading and dancing. I also love eating delicious foods.

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Mr. Parke, Paraprofessional

Hello, it's nice to meet everyone! My name is Khyle Parke and I am a returning Para at the Clap. I am very excited to work with the students and to have a fun year. I graduated with a BFA in Illustration at Lesley University. Outside of school I like to stay busy by cooking, designing websites, making art and all sorts of other new things. See you all soon!

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Additional Information:

What is Co-Teaching?

Students frequently have different learning styles and preferences. To help our students master grade level content, the Clap supports co-teaching. Co-teaching is when two certified teachers are present in the classroom and they work together through the planning, teaching, and assessing progress. The 1st grade is fortunate to have Khyle Parke, a full time paraprofessional, to complete our teaching team.

What Do 1st Graders Learn About?

- Building Strong Communities
- Animals Surviving and Thriving
- Resources in Our Communities
- Communicating with Sound and Light
- Adding & Subtracting Within 100

& more! ☺

How Can 1st Graders Get Ready for a Great Year?

- Start a bedtime routine a week before the first day
- Find your bus stop
- Read 20 minutes each day
- Get your water bottle ready

What Supplies Can I Donate to the Class?

- Tissues
- Lysol/Clorox Wipes
- Snacks

Suggested (Not Required) Materials:

- 1 box of #2 pencils (12 count)
- 1 box of Crayola crayons (24 count)
- Erasers

Upcoming Important Dates:

- Tuesday, September 3 - Ice Cream Social: 4:00-5:00pm
- **Thursday, September 5 - First Day! Arrive by 9:20am; Pick Up by 4:10pm**
- Thursday, September 26 - Back to School Night/Open House 5:30-7:00pm
- Monday, October 14 - No School: Indigenous Peoples Day

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out. We are looking forward to a year filled with learning, joy, and growth!