WELCOME TO 1ST GRADE!
Reading

- **Book of the Week**
  Vocabulary and comprehension tests
  Integrated into other subjects
- **Guided Reading (begins in October)**
  15 minutes in small groups of 4-6 students
- **Independent Reading**
  Minimum 20 minutes each night
- **Resources**
  Reading A-Z, MyOn, Epic, Houston Public Library
Reading

- **Comprehension Tests**
  Short reading passage with 5 questions
  5 questions with grade level vocabulary in context

- **Vocabulary Tests**
  Based on Book of the Week
  10 fill-in-the-blank questions with multiple choice

- **Imagine Literacy**
  30 minutes daily, on digital resources
Language Arts

- **Daily Oral Language (Morning Warm-Up)**
  Daily practice of editing skills
  Grammar and syntax

- **Writing**
  Ongoing journal entries
  Integrated into other subjects
  Students will generate ideas, craft stories, as well as edit and revise writing.
Math

- Fast Math Facts will be practiced daily and assessed weekly.
- Interactive lessons using manipulatives.
- Resources:
  - Imagine Math
    - 30 minutes daily, on digital resources
  - GO! Math
    - Workbooks and online resources available.
  - BrainPOP
    - Online math manipulatives
Small Group Instruction

- Each student will be assigned to a small group in reading and math. Your teacher will be sending you a schedule.

- Each small group will contain 4-6 students.

- Small groups will not begin immediately, as we will be assessing students.
Science

Science Fusion
Workbooks and online resources available
Interactive read alouds, lessons, vocabulary and extended activities.
Discovery Education
Educational videos
BrainPOP
Online video lessons and quizzes
Weekly content assessments
Social Studies

Studies Weekly
Digital magazines, quizzes and games that can be accessed online.

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Grading

2 grades per week in each subject
6 weeks grading cycle
Every grade is weighed the same

Weekly Assessments:
- Vocabulary
- Comprehension
- Grammar (DOL)
- Math Facts
- Math Content
- Science/SS Content
Assessments

Running Records

- Conducting a reading assessment imperative to understanding your child’s reading skills and deficits. These will be completed at the Beg., Mid, and End of year.
- Accuracy, fluency and comprehension are assessed.
- Students are given an appropriate reading level and goals are set in order for them to grow!

Renaissance 360

- Math and reading assessments 3 times a year.
Attendance

Be on time!

Taken twice daily @ 10:00am & 2:30pm

Attendance will be taken on TEAMS during virtual instruction.

If you have not been logged in by 2:30pm, you will be counted absent.

Your absence can be resolved if you turn in your work by 11:59pm that same day.
Microsoft Teams Expectations

1. Show up on time
2. Mute your microphone
3. Be respectful
4. Keep your camera on and still
5. Stay focused and pay attention
6. Participate
**SCHEDULE**

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Our office hours will be 2:15-3:00. Conference will be held through Microsoft Teams. We will send you a link when a conference is scheduled. Please reach out with any questions or concerns. We are here to assist!
Meet the Learning Support Team!

Ms. Yother
I have been teaching 10 years, and this is my 5th year at Lovett.
I love animals. I have 2 dogs, 2 chickens, a guinea pig, and a turtle.
My birthday is on Leap Year so I’m really only 8 years old!
JYother1@houstonisd.org

Ms. King
This is my 11th year in Learning Support.
I have 3 loud & crazy young boys and 2 dogs.
I love reading, lifting weights, kicking a soccer ball around, and watching movies.
Alexandra.King@houstonisd.org

Ms. Casell
This is my first year at Lovett and I have been a teacher in New York City, Washington, D.C., and Austin.
I am originally from San Antonio and am a big fan of the San Antonio Spurs.
Before I was a teacher, I acted on stage in New York.
Faye.Casell@houstonisd.org
Meet the Learning Support Team!

Ms. V
I have a son in the 5th grade at Lovett.
I enjoy cooking, makeup, and decorating.
I love drawing characters for my students.
My name is Ms. Vavasseur, but I am known here as "Ms. V".
Lauren.Vavasseur@houstonisd.org

Ms. Adams
I love going to concerts and spending time outdoors.
I love all things related to arts and crafts.
My favorite thing to do on the weekends is spend time with family and friends.

Ms. King
I love the outdoors: water skiing, hiking, and making a snowman.
In high school, I was on swim team.
I love board games and card games!
Rachel.King2@houstonisd.org
Art

- Students will be learning about the Elements of Art throughout the school year.
- Additionally, students will explore famous artists and various art careers.
- I am asking students to keep a digital portfolio on the Hub. This is especially important for fifth grade students. More information will be forthcoming.
- Please make sure to read the information in the Fine Arts Newsletter that was recently sent. There is information about creating an Art kit for your child. Supplies will not be shared due to Covid-19.
- Contact: pamma.mock@houstonisd.org

PE

- Health and Physical Education classes will be twice a week.
- Check your surroundings and have enough space for movement. Please wear proper clothing and sneakers to make moving easier.
- Participate at your own skill level.
- Please contact any of the PE teachers with questions: aruiz6@houstonisd.org or mflory@houstonisd.org
Music

Band: Mr. Ali Jackson
ali.jackson@houstonisd.org

Strings: Mr. Stephen Cobb
scobb@houstonisd.org

Classroom Music: Mrs. Katherine Martin
kmartin6@houstonisd.org

- 2nd-5th grades: automatic rollover from last year’s music selection. If you want to make a change, you must notify the previous teacher by Friday, September 4th.
- 1st grade and new-to-Lovett students: please make your choice by Tuesday, Sept 8th by emailing the corresponding teacher.
- Please contact any of the music teachers with questions. You may also reference the Fine Arts newsletter within Mrs. Thompson’s newsletter last week.
First Grade Music Choices

https://forms.gle/QUES3u8Y4u84sGpk7

Your homeroom teacher will also email this link.
Supplies will be available to pick up on tomorrow 8:30-11 on Birdwood.
Lovett’s Learning Management Systems

Learning is acquiring new or modifying and reinforcing existing knowledge, behaviors, skills, values, or preferences. Thus, whether online or on campus, the following learning management systems are unique and consistently used at Lovett Elementary throughout the school year. Remember, EXCELLENCE is what we do!

**Microsoft Teams**
- Attend live class meetings
- Communicate live with teachers
- Small group intervention sessions
- Participate in Teams meetings and Teams live school events

**HISD Connect**
- Access student grades and attendance

**Remind**
- Homeroom teacher communication

**Digital Resources**
- Access digital textbook resources
  - Science Fusion
  - GoMath
  - Studies Weekly
  - Imagine Language & Literacy
  - Imagine Math
  - Renaissance
  - MyOn
  - Renzulli Learning
  - Flocabulary
  - Brain Pop

**HUB**
- Access and turn in class assignments
- Access recorded live lessons
- Access instructional content & resources
  - Google Drive links
  - Pear Deck links
  - Access Digital Resources

**Virtual/Bitmoji Classrooms**
- Access teacher-specific resources
- Community building
Welcome to Lovett,

Even though we aren’t in school, I am still here to assist you with all your health care needs. I have just a few reminders for everyone.

1. **BE SURE TO COMPLETE THE REQUEST FOR FOOD ALLERGY AND HEALTH INVENTORY**
   This form gives me lots of important health information about your child.

2. **ALL IMMUNIZATIONS MUST BE UP TO DATE AND CURRENT**
   All students registered at Lovett are required to have compliant immunizations, even when virtual.

3. **IF YOUR CHILD HAS A CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITION PLEASE CONTACT ME.**
   Food Allergies, Asthma, Diabetes, Seizures, etc. I have special forms for you to complete.

4. **IF YOUR CHILD IS GOING TO NEED ANY MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL, PLEASE CONTACT ME.**
   Need to get physician orders now, so medications can be at school when we are back in the classroom.
CONTACT ME WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS

SUIKI SCHAFFER BOARDMAN, R.N., M.S.
LOVETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NURSE

EMAIL: sschaffe@houstonisd.org
PHONE: 713-295-5258

I will be at Lovett daily, even during this virtual time
Look forward to seeing you in person, soon
Power Schools

HISD has replaced the parent portal known as ParentStudent Connect to HISD Connect (Parent Portal) and this is the link you will use https://hisdconnect.houstonisd.org/public/ You need to create an account and link all of their HISD students to it in order to access grades, attendance, etc. In order to do that, you need the auto generated access ID and password. We don’t have that information for you now however, in the welcome letters that were mailed this week, there is also the parent letter that contains the codes.

The parent portal access ID and password are NOT the same as their student ID number. To access the HISD HUB, you will need the student ID, which you do see and previous families can locate on any report card or progress report.
Remind APP

A free, secure app that can be downloaded to any iPhone or Android device which will allow for me to communicate easily with you via secure text messaging. Your personal contact information is not visible to me or the school.

Please visit:
https://www.remind.com/join/

OR

To receive messages via push notification-
Step 1: Download the Remind app on your Android or iOs device, or go to rmd.me/a to install the app.
Step 2: Once you’ve downloaded the app, create a parent account with your email address.
Step 3: Go to the Classes tab, tap +, and enter our unique class code

Our classroom codes will be sent home in our back to school newsletter!
Questions?
Join the Lovett PTO!

Christi Megow, PTO President
Go to lovettpto.org to join the PTO today!