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Welcome Back! I can't believe that we're into the end of the summer already. I know that some of you have been thinking about schools supplies.

For the last several years I have asked families to send a donation to help supply our room with the things we need to begin the year. This year I'm asking for a \$25 donation to buy the basics to supply our room. This saves everyone's time, gas and stress in shopping for supplies before school starts. It will also eliminate the need to store 27 rolls of paper towels, wet wipes and Kleenex, as I buy these item throughout the year as we run low. It also allows me to buy in bulk on my teacher discount and purchase supplies that fit in my storage areas and gives all students the same basic item while still allowing choices of colors. If you'd like to provide an extra donation, any size, for a family who can't contribute, I'd appreciate it. If you can't contribute at this time, that's okay. We'll all be sharing these supplies and after we learn about how to use them respectfully and care for them we'll also be building a stronger community!

Your child will need their own gym shoes, either to leave at school during gym class or wear on gym days. Each child will also be asked to bring 2 boxes of snacks when they get a snack schedule in the first week of school. Please watch for that list.

I'm so anxious to see returning faces and welcome new students to my room! Be sure to stop in for the Open House. Watch for my Welcome Back letter in the mail very soon!

Sincerely,

Mary Swenson