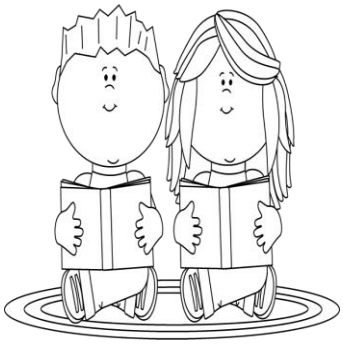

Super Star Sterling Falcons!

I consider it a great responsibility and honor to teach your child! I have put this letter together to help you understand our classroom. Please feel free to contact me at any time with questions or concerns. I look forward to working with you and your child as a team, helping them develop to the fullest of their potential. Together we can instill in them the confidence and skills needed to succeed.

Welcome!

Mrs. Megan King
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Contact Information

My full name is Megan Nicole King. I was born in Soldotna and raised here on the Kenai Peninsula. I graduated from Soldotna High School in 2010 and received my Early Childhood degree in December 2014 from UAA. I started my career as a semester long substitute at Redoubt Elementary in a second grade class. This is now my third year teaching at Sterling Elementary. I look forward to continuing my education and one day working towards a master's degree. Teaching is not just my job but a passion of mine and I look forward to building relationships with each and every one of you.

All About Your Teacher

I believe in having an open door policy which means that you are welcome to visit our room at any time. You may want to look at our schedule (coming home in next week's Monday folder) so you will know where we are and what we are doing at the time of your visit. The district is requiring that all volunteers fill out an application on their web site and a background check will be administered (this needs to be done each year).

Since I will be busy teaching; it will be hard for me to conference with you during class time. You may call or stop in either before or after school, 8:00-4:00pm. FYI: *You need to sign in at the office whenever you visit the school.*

<u>bloomz</u>

Our school is using bloomz to communicate with families this year. With bloomz you can receive pictures of our class, electronic copies of our class newsletter and be able to communicate with me via text! The group is a closed, secure group, so only parents in our class can view the newsletter and pictures. (Please let me know if you would prefer to not have your child included in class photos on our newsletter.)

Classroom Visits/Communication

In regards to birthday treats, please remember that our district has a wellness policy. Please check with me prior to bringing anything in. Some great ideas from last year included; popsicles, fruit, cheese and meat trays, jello, muffins, and veggies with dressing.

Please do not ask your child to hand out invitations for birthdays. We don't want hurt feelings, which has been a problem in the past. If you plan to hand out birthday invitations please choose an appropriate time before or after school to put them in Monday folders (Please see student handbook).

Birthdays

<u>If you are willing and able to donate snack to the class that would be greatly appreciated.</u>

When sending in snacks please make sure it is ready to eat and will provide for 17 students. Some great snack ideas may include: cereal, pretzels, granola bars, goldfish, graham crackers, etc.

Thank you for your help in providing a snack for our class.

Snacks

Our school expectations are: be safe, be responsible, and be respectful. As a class we will spend time defining these during the first few days of school. During the day students will earn pom-poms for showing safe, responsible, and respectful behavior. Our class will collect the pom poms and work together to fill our class pom-pom jar. Once the jar is full our class will earn a small party such as pajama day, extra recess, or watch a short movie at the end of the day.

This year students will be on the clip system. The clip system will allow for them to clearly see the consequences for their actions. They will start each day on green. From green they can go up to blue or purple if they are having a fantastic day. If students are having a hard time being safe, respectful, and responsible, they will move their clip down. Yellow-warning, need to try harder; orange- take a break from the activity in class and fill out a stop and think; red-call home, if students still cannot turn their behavior around we will call home and the student will lose out on free time.

Classroom Management

Homework

I recognize that family time is important. This year, homework for our class will provide opportunities for your family to engage in learning opportunities together and provide your child with the responsibility for returning their homework to school. The homework will consist of the following:

Weekly- Spelling List (Beginning the middle of September)
Baggie Books (Beginning after 1st Quarter)
Monthly-Homework calendar with after-school challenges for you to complete as a family. Please do as many challenges as you are able to do!
Reading Log for your child to document the days in the month that they have read or are read to.

Monday Folders will come home every Monday. Inside your student's folder you will find important information from the office, homework, monthly newsletters, and any other notes from class. Please return the red Monday folder by Friday.

Monday Folders/Homework