

First Grade Science  
Caitlin Shelley, Mentor  
Spring Semester 2020

I am excited about the opportunity to work with you and your child this coming semester! I believe our fall semester has been very profitable. I have enjoyed watching your children make their own discoveries and also interact with those around them. Thank you again for sharing them with me!

Each week in class we will discuss the topic to be covered briefly and spend the majority of the class time in hands-on activities. From time to time, I will be asking your child to complete an activity at home. This is not meant to be a point of stress but rather an opportunity to involve you in your child's discoveries. When an assignment is to be completed at home, I will send home an assignment sheet.

Your child will need to bring the following items to class each week: **Pencil, glue stick, crayons or colored pencils, scissors, a folder with pockets and any completed homework.**

Below is a basic outline of topics we will be covering this semester. We will be flexible to adjust the schedule if students show an increased interest in a particular topic or activity.

**Body Systems**

Jan. 10 – Skeleton & Muscles  
Jan. 17 – Eating & Breathing  
Jan. 24 – Heart & Blood  
Jan. 31 – Nerves  
Feb. 7 – Unit Review/"body booklet"

**Water**

Feb. 14 – Sink or float?  
Feb. 21 – Properties of Water  
Feb. 28 – Water Cycle

**Animal World**

Mar. 6 – Animal Groups  
Mar. 13 – Animals with fur  
Mar. 20 – Animals with feathers  
Mar. 27 – Animals with scales  
Apr. 3 – Animals with smooth skin  
(April 10<sup>th</sup> no classes for Good Friday)  
Apr. 17 – Semester Review

Thank you again for the opportunity to work with your child! If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me: [caitshelley@gmail.com](mailto:caitshelley@gmail.com).