

Dear K-5B Parents,

Academic learning and control of behavior go hand in hand. Establishing good classroom discipline is essential to each child's success, confidence and well being. Every child should feel safe and secure. In addition, it is important that each child learn to develop self discipline and good work habits, to resolve conflicts peacefully and to think independently.

It is my belief that a child learns self-discipline by learning early in life how to obey rules. I attempt to make my discipline as positive as possible. I use a conduct board to teach acceptable behavior. Each student has their name-labeled Dalmatian with three bones that are golden, red and orange. Their Dalmatian starts each day with a golden bone in its mouth. If the student's behavior is less than it should be, the conduct bone is lowered first to red, and last to orange. A red bone consequence will be related to the inappropriate behavior. An orange bone will result in the student bringing home an Orange Behavior Report that will summarize the incident in order for you to talk with your child about future choices. If a student has as many as three orange bones(three Orange Behavior Reports) in one week, I will schedule a parent conference. Once changed, a red bone color may be changed back to golden, depending on the situation and the student's future behavior choices.

Each day that students keep their golden bones, they will receive a stamp on their conduct chart. After they have collected five stamps, the student will select a prize from the treasure box! I expect all students to have their bones change color occasionally. Please do not expect perfection from your child, because I do not. To guarantee your child and all students in my classroom the excellent educational atmosphere they deserve, I will not tolerate a student preventing me from teaching, nor any student preventing another from learning.

This leads us to the one rule in our classroom:

**THE GOLDEN RULE**  
**Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.**

This rule pertains to every situation-the way we need to treat one another, as well as belongings, classroom materials, and so on. The Golden Rule teaches another important three R's- Reverence, Respect and Responsibility. This will constantly be discussed in our classroom. Please reinforce by talking with your child at home and sign the bottom portion and return.

God Bless-  
Maryetta Casey

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We have discussed the Golden Rule and Walk With Jesus at St. Mary School!

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Parent's Signature