September 8, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Hello! My name is Fonda Fairweather and I have the distinct honor of working with your gifted child this year. This is my 32nd year teaching. I hold a Bachelor’s Degree from San Diego State University, a Master’s Degree in Reading from Grand Canyon University, an endorsement in Library Media from Old Dominion University, lifetime certification from University of California San Diego for Gifted and eight years’ experience as a Gifted/Seminar teacher with San Diego Unified School District.

This year, I am split between two schools. **I will be at Norview Elementary on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday**. **On Thursday and Friday, I will be at Tanners Creek Elementary**. I will be working with your child and your child’s teacher to provide enrichment. We will be working on challenging assignments and raising our thinking skills to a higher level. Because the students need to learn the routines and structures of their classrooms, pull out groups will not begin until the end of the month. Once a schedule is finalized, I will notify you of the days/times your child will see me.

There will be an Open House for the Parents of Gifted Students during the month of September (dates and time to be determined). We will go over the curriculums used and the quarterly progress report! If you are a 2nd grade parent or new to our school, please plan to attend. For those students who have been in the Gifted Program for a while, you are welcome to come if you need a refresher!

In order to keep lines of communication open, I will be using the REMIND app and page on our school website. An instruction sheet for joining our group will be provided by the end of September. Please **sign up as soon as possible** so you can receive gifted news. When you enter your name, add your child’s name after it in parenthesis. For example, Fonda Fairweather (Simone Fairweather).

If you would like to meet with me, please do not hesitate to call (434) 658-7688 or (757)852-4660 and schedule an appointment. I am also available via email at [ffairwe@nps.k12.va.us](mailto:ffairwe@nps.k12.va.us). Thank you in advance for your support and I look forward to working with you and your child this year.

Sincerely,

Fonda Fairweather

Gifted Resource Teacher