Welcome to Room 106!

My name is Kitty Heite, and I will be your child's teacher next year for first grade. This is my second year as a classroom teacher after 8 years working in Special Education. I believe deeply in communication between home and school as a way to support students and allowing them to be successful learners. I am always available at school, and am also easily accessible through Class Dojo. My email address is cheite@philasd.org, or you can always call 215-400-7660 to schedule a meeting.

In preparation for this year, I have included a supply list and some other information for adults.

- I am very active on Class Dojo. You will either automatically be updated in Class Dojo or you will get a code on the first day of school to sign up.
- If you are interested, I have a short Google form to help me see what is the best way to communicate with families and who might have resources to share with the classroom/school community. Please fill this out here: https://forms.gle/9PbrdZwosC3ustri8
- Please bookmark the Lea Express online edition on your browser so you can stay on top
 of everything happening with Lea!
 https://lea.philasd.org/category/lea-philasd-org-leaexpress/

Supplies are mostly shared within the classroom. I encourage students to **keep** the cute, special school supply items **at home** to work on projects there!

On the back of this letter is the official supply list for items beyond a backpack and a short list of online resources I like to use to help engage students. We will use these resources and more as we work on <u>Loving Learning at Lea!</u>

I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, Sept. 3 at 8:30 AM for our FIRST DAY of FIRST GRADE!

-Ms. Heite cheite@philasd.org

Individual	Shared
1 drawstring bag with student's name on it	1 bottle of hand sanitizer
2 Primary composition books with name	1 ream of copy paper
Primary Journal Journa	
2 *plastic* pocket folders (with prongs!)	1 pack of small dry-erase markers
1 large old shirt for messy projects	1 pack of yellow #2 pencils
1 complete change of clothes in a clear plastic bag, labeled	2 boxes of tissues

Ms. Heite's Online Resource Bank:

- <u>Scholastic.com</u>- Sign up for a parent account! When you add in our class code we will get points towards classroom resources.
- https://www.cosmickids.com/ An excellent online resource for at home or at school to get kids and adults moving and stretching.
- The Free Library of Philadelphia- you can now put the Free Library in your pocket with the Overdrive app! This app allows you to have access to e-books and audiobooks from the digital collection for free.
 - https://libwww.freelibrary.org/explore/guide/getting-ebooks-for-your-tablet-phone-or-mobile-device-including-apple-android-kindle-fire-nook-color-and-nook-hd-devices
- Storytime podcast: https://bedtime.fm/storytime
- But Why? Podcast answering those weird WHY questions: https://www.vpr.org/programs/why-podcast-curious-kids#stream/0
- PBS Kids because it really is just absolutely the best: https://pbskids.org/
- GoNoodle for home! https://family.gonoodle.com/