Dear Parents and First Graders,

Are you ready to join me for a year of fun and adventure in first grade? My name is Mrs. Gallagher, and I am excited to be your teacher. Let me tell you a little about me. I love spending time with Mr. Gallagher and my wonderful family. I graduated from Florida Southern College with a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education and a concentration in S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math). This will be my ninth year as a first grade teacher at Whitehouse School. Previous to teaching first grade, I was a kindergarten teacher at another district. I Cannot wait for another amazing year at Whitehouse School.

I love to read and write, and I look forward to sharing my knowledge with you. Perhaps you have a special book that you would like to share with me? We will not only read stories; we will also write them. I have a feeling that you have many stories to share. Maybe we can turn some of your wonderful tales into books! In math, we will learn how to add and subtract, tell time, solve number stories, and so much more. Also, get ready to be a scientist and geographer this year as we begin to discover new and exciting things about the world around us.

Summer Update:

The summer has been filled with fun with my family. We went swimming, hiking, and to the beach! Mr. Gallagher and I spent the rest of our summer visiting new places! I can't wait to show you the beautiful pictures!

The first day of school is September 2nd!

Don't forget to bring...

- 1. A healthy snack for our break.
- 2. A small brown paper bag containing three items that tell us about you. It could be a picture, small figurine, etc. Be creative!
- 3. A FANTASTIC smile!

Love,

Mrs. Gallagher

