



Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I want to draw your attention to Curriculum Night, which is right around the corner. Second grade curriculum night is Tuesday, September 9th at 7:15pm. Please try to attend as there will be a lot of new information to share!

Until then, here are a few things to get you started:

Water bottles & snack: The children are invited to bring water bottles and nutritional snacks to school each day. Water bottles will be permitted as long as they do not become a distraction to learning. Additionally, we will be having a snack in the morning, as our lunch time is not until 12:00 in the afternoon. Please send a **healthy** snack that is prepared and ready for your child to eat in a timely manner. If utensils are required, they will need to be brought from home. Unfortunately, we cannot provide snacks to those who have forgotten to bring one to school. We hope that allowing these items will make your child more comfortable at school.

No cookies, cakes, chips, candy, etc., will be allowed at this time. Snacks need to be ready-to-eat (peeled, cut, and finger-food), and fit in a “snack” size baggie. Good snacks include: fruit, raw vegetables, granola bars, cereal/fruit bars, fruit snacks/rolls, crackers, cheese, popcorn, etc. Please call me with questions. ****Due to the strawberry/cantaloupe allergy in our classroom, please avoid those items for snacks. Thank you.**

Birthdays: We will celebrate student birthdays throughout the year, and your child is welcome to bring in treats to share. If you choose to send treats, please keep it simple (**ready-to-serve, no cakes, no drinks**) and remember napkins! Time will be reserved towards the end of the year for summer birthdays. *At the present time, we have 24 students in our classroom.*

Homework: Homework in second grade will consist **mostly** of reading, word work and math HomeLinks. Please check your child’s Take-Home folder every night for information. In addition, your child will be using an assignment notebook to document and organize homework and other important information. Expect to see HomeLinks and possibly word work homework begin the second week of school. Homework is expected to be completed neatly, and returned the next school day. I will address homework more specifically at Curriculum Night.

Volunteers: Throughout the year I will be looking for parents to help in the classroom. This may consist of listening to children count or identify sight words, assisting during math stations or learning centers, or with special projects. More information regarding classroom volunteers will be shared at Curriculum Night.

Please plan to attend Curriculum Night to hear all about our upcoming year. Again, welcome back and I’m looking forward to seeing you soon!

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