

# Welcome to Second Grade!

## 2010-2011

We are looking forward to getting to know everyone and to having a year full of learning and fun! The children have done a great job the first of school and everything ran smoothly.

Thank you for the school supplies that were sent in. The children were thrilled to have something to put in their desks! They also found a few new items from myself as well. I remember how fun it was to get "new supplies"!

Your child's "Homework Folder" will be sent home everyday with homework and/or notices. Homework will begin on Monday. In second grade homework is meant for review from lessons we are learning in class, and to set up a routine at home. It usually will not take more than 15-20 minutes(or less) to complete the work. If for some reason homework does not get completed, just send in a note and they can return it the next day. No homework on Fridays!

I do also ask that your child spends some time each evening reading or being read to. The more they practice reading the better they will be. In second grade we really move from learning to read to reading for fun! It is exciting to watch the growth that happens throughout the year. You can help by providing more time to read and setting an example. Limiting television and computer time is a big step in that direction.

Please remember to send your child in with a healthy snack, or they can enjoy a piece of fruit from the cafeteria. Please limit sweet treats(ex. cookies,pudding,etc.) as a snack item. I find sometimes they can even make children more hungry. They are welcome to buy milk or water, but we encourage students to bring something in from home as it saves time. The children will be unpacking their snack in the morning and putting it in their own snack bin. If it needs to stay cold than they can leave it with a cold pack.

\*\*\*This Friday for snack I'd like each student to bring in sandwich size baggie with a dry snack to share(ex. cereal, goldfish, popcorn, raisins, etc.). It will be our "Friendship Snack" in celebration of our first week together.

The schedule for specials this year are:

Monday- Gym 10:00-10:30 Ms. Capra(sneakers)  
Music 2:05-2:35 Ms. Beth Carr

Tuesday- Computer 11:45-12:15 Ms. Gail Gardner  
Library 2:00-2:30 Ms. Pam Melrose

Wednesday- Computer 1:25-1:55 Ms. Gail Gardner  
Gym 2:00-2:30 Ms. Channon Capra(sneakers)

Thursday - Music 9:00-9:30 Mrs. Beth Carr  
Health 9:35-10:05 Mrs. Sue Costello

Friday- Art 10:30-11:30 Ms. Lisa Magnarelli

This year in second grade we are not going to have a specific "sharing" time. I will give opportunities for children to bring in items as a class, and of course I will honor anytime we have something special come up in our lives to share. Students will be asked to share only one time a week.

Our school day starts at 8:20 this year and goes until 2:40. Our lunch time is 12:25-12:45. Please remember all parents need to have a CORI to accompany us on any field trips or to volunteer in school. CORI's are good for 3 years and have to be done at the Superintendent's office. Thanks.

I will keep you informed through our class "Newsletter" and on our website. Please feel free to call or come in with any questions. Our classroom number is 508-627-3316 ext. 136. Thank you!

Please let me know what your child's schedule will be for after school. I do ask if children go to the Boys and Girls Club that you send in a note stating they may walk there on their own. There is an adult who comes over to walk over K and 1st graders, so without permission from a parent they will join that group. If you will be picking your child up please make sure you wait in the front hallway or outside in the pick up line. Too many parents in the hallways makes it too crowded for students to travel through and be dismissed safely. Please remember, for your child's safety, any change in plans for students do need to be sent in writing or a call to let us know. Thank you.

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Please cut and return to school.

\_\_\_\_\_ 's usual dismissal plan will be:

Please circle.

Monday      pick up   line      bus      club      other \_\_\_\_\_

Tuesday      pick up   line      bus      club      other \_\_\_\_\_

Wednesday   pick up   line      bus      club      other \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday      pick up   line      bus      club      other \_\_\_\_\_

Friday          pick up   line      bus      club      other \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\*If your child's schedule changes weekly then please send in a note with them either daily or for the week. Thanks again.