

Dear Upcoming Second Grade Families,

The Second Grade Team would like to welcome you and wish you an enjoyable summer. Parents, you are your child's first teacher. Helping your child stay motivated and maintain a positive attitude towards school is important. No matter what your summer plans may be, remember to keep them reading and writing over the next two months. Keeping a journal, writing or emailing friends and family, are some suggestions. Many children at this age enjoy reading books in a particular series. Books should be chosen according to your child's interests, reading level, and availability. Listening to your child read aloud and asking them questions about what they have read, as well as reading to your child will enrich their reading experience. Second graders will be asked to bring their favorite book to school at the beginning of the year for a classroom assignment. You can find a great suggested reading list for your upcoming 2nd grader on [SMPL.org](http://SMPL.org). Search the website for grade level recommendations.

The following is the general Second Grade supply list. Stay on the lookout for summer sales. These items may be purchased at Staples, Office Depot, and Target.

- 1 or 2 packs of pencils
- 1 hand pencil sharpener
- Child size scissors
- 1 pack of dry erase markers
- 1 highlighter
- 3 glue sticks
- 2 black double tip Sharpies

\*\*We will be providing students with a pouch to keep all of their supplies in, so please do not send your child with a pencil box.

**Every item should be labeled with your child's name, and may need replenishing after the winter break.**

We are also asking for the following classroom contribution items from all students at the beginning of the year.

- 1 roll of select-a-size paper towels
- 1 package of wipes
- 1 box of tissues
- 9x12 canvases from Michael if found on sale

Thank you in advance for your support.

-The Second Grade Team