



2nd Grade News

Second Grade Supply List

- 2-Reams (500 count) white copy paper
- 48-Mechanical Pencils
- 1-box 24-count **Crayola** crayons (not oversized)
- 1-box 64-count **Crayola** crayons
- 2-Large boxes of **Kleenex** or **Puffs** facial tissue
- 1 UNSENTED hand sanitizer 12oz (girls only)
- 1-package baby wipes (boys only)
- 2 composition notebooks-red & blue
- 1-plastic school box (8"x5")
- 1-pair **Fiskars** sharp 5" scissors
- 4 **Elmer's** glue sticks
- 4 plastic folders-red, blue, green, yellow (no pictures or decorations)
- 1-box **Ziploc** Quart size (girls only)
- 1-box **Ziploc** Gallon size (boys only)
- 1-pair of over-the-head headphones (no earbuds)
- 1-set of addition and subtraction flash cards
- 1-4-pack package of dry erase fine tip **EXPO** markers

Fine Motor Skills

If your child has not mastered shoe tying, make this a goal to have mastered before 2nd grade begins.

<http://www.ot-mom-learning-activities.com/fine-motor-skills.html>

Helpful Sites

Reading

<http://more.ppld.org:8080/kids/bookideas/booklists.asp>

Writing

<https://k12.thoughtfullearning.com/resources/studentmodels#Grade1>

Math

<http://www.mathplayground.com/thinkingblocks.html>

Welcome

Dear Future 2nd Grader,

Congratulations! You did it; 1st grade is practically done! In August, one of us will be your 2nd grade teacher and we are really looking forward to meeting you. If you want to be on your game, to be the best 2nd grader you can be, you will need to practice your hard earned 1st grade skills over the summer. Here are some things to do so that when you start 2nd grade you will be the best you can be.

Mrs. Holmstedt, Ms. McClure, Mrs. Rahalewich, and Ms. Smith

Reading

As a 1st grader your child learned to read and retell stories and information. Ask your child to tell you about the people, places and problems in their reading.

Encourage your child to read at least 15 minutes per day. Remember to read sight words, read non-fiction and read with someone. Keep a record of books read and celebrate successful completion of books.

Establish a routine at home for reading. Most teachers will expect 20 minutes of reading homework nightly. Keep this up all summer long to lessen any reading regression.

Writing

Children entering 2nd grade should have a beginning understanding of sentence structure. Your child's teacher will expect him/her to use capitals and punctuation correctly in all writing that he/she does. It is very helpful for incoming 2nd graders to be able to spell sight words correctly.

Provide a journal for your child to write in over the summer. Allow them to pick out some new pencils, pens or paper to make it special.

Most importantly, your child should use a correct pencil grip and have correct letter formation. These skills are necessary for writing legibly. Ask your child to write the alphabet and use the guide at the bottom of the page to check for mastery.

Math

Your child should be able to read numbers, and identify the place value and value of digits in the hundreds, tens and ones place. For example: given the number 47 your child should be able to read this number as "forty-seven," and say that the 4 is in the tens place and the 7 is in the ones place. They should explain that the value of the 4 is 40 and the value of the 7 is 7. Math fact practice with basic addition and subtraction facts will greatly benefit your child. Rocket math is a great, inexpensive app for fact practice.

If your child cannot count on from any given number through 120, please make this a priority this summer. There are many great ways to practice including rolling two dice or flipping up two cards. Your child should also be able to identify a coin by its name and value when looking at the front or back. You might consider looking for an app or other game to practice this skill.

