

Welcome to Mrs. Donaldson's Second Grade Classroom

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Weebly

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Bible

- **We will begin the year with the school theme, Thrive, based on Jeremiah 29:11.**
- **We will do an Old Testament Review, then we discuss Noah, Ruth and Judges.**
- **Test day is Wednesday.**
- **Memory verse for each month.**
- **Students will receive Bible notes in the Tuesday folders.**

Math

- Consumable Textbook
- Test Day: Depends on when we finish each chapter
- Math lab will begin in January. Half of the class will go to the math lab while the other half stays in the room for small group instruction then the groups will switch.
- **Please practice addition and subtraction math facts with your child on a regular basis.**

Standards Based Grading

- Standards Based Grading will be used in math this year.
- Helps see what skills students are mastering and which skills need more work.

Reading/Language/AR

- Reading story each week and lessons will include language skills. Tests will be given on Fridays.
 - You can access the reading textbook from home, using Think Central. More information will be given later on this!
 - Reading Lab will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays with Mrs. Olesen.
- Students are encouraged to READ and take AR tests. We will set goals and points for students to work towards. The goal for 1st 9 Weeks will be 15 points!

Science and Social Studies

- We will alternate between science and social studies every two to three weeks.**
- The science workbook is consumable.**
- The social studies textbook can be taken home to study for tests.**
- Students will receive notes prior to each test for study use at home.**

Spelling

- Students will receive a set of 15 words each week.
- Words will be listed on the board and in the weekly newsletter on my Weebly.
- Tests will be given on Fridays.

Homework

- Math Homework will be assigned on most Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays.
- Reading and Language study guides will be sent home in note bags each Friday.
- Spelling homework will be a tic tac toe board. Students will need to complete two activities each week, and turn in each Friday morning.

Grading Scale

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A = 90 - 100

B = 80 – 89

C = 70 - 79

D = 64 - 69

F = 0 - 63

Make-Up Work

- **Students will be responsible for making up all work that is missed due to being absent.**
- **A folder will be used to collect and return make up work.**
- **If absent for multiple days, you may send an email, call the office to pick up work or we can send it home with a sibling.**

Projects

- Information will be sent home in Tuesday folders and placed on the Weebly to give guidelines and expectations for each project.
- 11 points will be deducted for each day the project is late.
- **Please allow your child to use his/her creativity!**

Lunch

- Must pay and order on Mondays ONLY for the entire week.
(You may also pay by the month or for the year.)
\$4.00 for meal OR \$4.60 for meal and milk
-Please send all lunch money (and notes) in the Note Bag that will be provided for you.
- If your child is absent on Monday, please call the office no later than 9:00 a.m. to place order for the remainder of the week. If you do not call by 9:00 Monday morning, your child will need to bring his/her lunch the remainder of the week.
- Our lunch time is 11:30 until 11:55.
- No visitors during lunch until Monday, August 24th. Friends are no longer allowed to sit with students, unless it is your birthday.
- Birthday treats can be brought to enjoy during lunch.
- **IF ORDERING FOR THIS THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, YOU MUST ORDER AND PAY TODAY OR FIRST THING THURSDAY MORNING!!!**

Tuesday Folders

- Folders are sent home each week on Tuesday.
- Please send “Return to school” items back on Wednesday and keep the other items at home.
- Review and return graded papers each week.
- Conduct Sheet/Weekly Report will be attached to the inside of the folder and will need to be signed each week.

Note Bags

- Please keep note bags in your child's back pack at all times.
- Send lunch money, notes, and other paperwork to school in the note bag.
- I will also send things home in the note bag when needed.
- Please check your child's back pack EACH night!

Attendance and Tardiness

- **Students are able to enter the building at 7:10 and the classroom at 7:40.**
- **Students will be marked tardy after 8:00 and will need to have a slip from the office.**
- **Please send a note or email for each absence so that it can be changed to excused.**

Classroom Rules

- 1. Listen when your teacher is talking.**
- 2. Follow directions quickly.**
- 3. Respect others, respect yourself, respect your school.**
- 4. Raise your hand to speak or stand.**
- 5. Be safe, be kind, be honest.**

Discipline Plan and Reward System

- Please be familiar with the rules and procedures in the student-parent handbook.
- Classroom Discipline Plan will use clothespins and colors (Green, Yellow, Orange and Red).
- Recess minutes will be taken away as a consequence for moving pin down.
- Students will also have the opportunity to move their clothespins up and receive rewards for good behavior.
- Parents will be contacted and/or office referrals given for severe behavior that needs immediate attention.

Schedule

~Please see Weebly for a copy of daily schedule!

Specials:

Monday: Library

Tuesday: Art

Wednesday: Technology

Thursday: Recess

Friday: Music

Monday – Friday: PE with Mrs. Turner

Water Bottles and Snack

- Students are allowed, and encouraged, to bring clear or translucent water bottles, with water only, to school each day.
- Please label water bottles!
- Students will need to bring a snack to school each day. We will have snack around 9:30 each morning.

Other information...

- Summer Reading and Math packets are due by Monday, August 10th.
- Car signs must be placed in the window for the caller and loaders to be able to see. Please leave those in the window until your child is loaded.
- Check outs are **not** allowed between 2:30 and 2:45 due to not interrupting chapel.
- Remember to email a summer picture of your child!
- Be sure to look at my [wish list](#) items!