



Ms. Athon's Second Grade News

August 8, 2014



Whew...

We made it! Our first four days of second grade are over. We have had a very busy, yet productive week. Please be patient with your little ones as they are likely to be quite tired. As time goes on, we will all adjust to a routine and life will flow much more smoothly. I look forward to a very rewarding and successful year!



Upcoming Events

- Aug. 14 Curriculum Night (K, 2, & 4)
@ 6:30pm
- Aug. 21 Curriculum Night (1, 3, & 5)
@ 6:30pm
- Aug. 26 Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night
- Sept. 1 Labor Day (school holiday)
- Sept. 4 Night Under the Stars
- Sept. 9 Zaxby's Spirit Night

Specials

Our second graders attend Specials each day from 2:15-3:00pm. Our schedule revolves on a 4-day rotation and will change each nine weeks. Here is our class rotation schedule:

- 1-Art
- 2-Music
- 3-STEM
- 4-PE**

** Students need to wear tennis shoes & bring a water bottle labeled with your child's name on PE days. Thank you!

Curriculum Night

Second Grade's Curriculum Night will be on **Thursday, August 14th at 6:30pm**. Please make arrangements to come and learn about your child's school day. I look forward to meeting with each and every one of you. Thank you in advance for your dedication to your child's success in second grade!



What's for Snack?

Our snack time is in the afternoon. *Please remember to send a healthy snack each day.* Second grade schedule lends to a long afternoon and our children need "brain food" to keep their motor's running throughout the day. Thanks!

Thirsty?

Water bottles are also encouraged in our classroom. However, please make sure they contain "clear" liquids. We want our children hydrated and ready to learn. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter!

Media Center

We had the opportunity to visit with Mrs. Martin (one of our wonderful Media Specialists) to learn the proper procedures in our Media Center on **Monday August 6, 2014**. There will be a few changes this year. Each student will be allowed two books at a time. Another book can only be borrowed when the prior book has been returned. Please be sure your child returns his/her books in a timely manner so as NOT to deter their wonderful reading skills. We want to encourage a great love for books and reading.



Accelerated Reader

In addition, each child will be assessed and assigned an AR range. AR tests are available on most of our media center books and are strongly encouraged in second grade. Students should be familiar with this process from first grade. Second graders must earn 30 points or more to reach the grade level goal. Let's encourage our students to earn those AR points and enhance their reading comprehension skills, too. Thanks for all your at-home support!

Specials

Specials for Week 8/11-8/15

Mon.	Art	Thurs.	PE
Tues.	Music	Fri.	Art
Wed.	STEM		



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