



Dear Parents,

We look forward to working with you and your child next year in the second grade. It is a very important year in terms of reading, responsibility, and reception of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion. To prepare your child please do the following during the summer.

1. In addition to weekly Sunday Mass (and remember we are Catholics even on vacation - *While planning a trip, go to www.masstimes.org to find a Catholic Mass in every city all over the country.*), pray with your child to prepare for the Sacraments they will receive.
2. Practice addition and subtraction facts daily. You can find inexpensive flashcards almost anywhere. Online games are also plentiful, as well as iPad apps.

At the beginning of 2nd grade, your child should know:
Addition and subtraction facts to 10 without using fingers;
which numbers go together to make ten.

3. Write book reports for 3 books (see attached list). *This is due on the first day of school.* Each report should be on a different sheet of paper and include the following:

Title

Author

About the Book (3-5 complete sentences)

Illustrate

4. Read 20 minutes a day, every day throughout the summer.
5. Give your child chores to do around the house to build responsibility and independence.

Have a great summer, and
we will see you in August!

In Jesus,
The Second Grade Teachers



Summer 2020 Rising 2nd Graders

Reading: Read 3 books of your choice by any of the following authors and write a report (description on other side) with illustrations. Complete sentences are expected. We recommend that you spread these out over the summer instead of trying to do all 3 right before school starts.

Aherrn, Dianne
Anderson, Hans C.
Brown, Marc (Arthur series)
Burton, Virginia
Cannon, Janelle
Cleary, Beverly (Ramona series)
Delton, Judy
dePaola, Tomie
Dorros, Arthur
Estes, Eleanor (The Hundred Dresses)
Giff, Patricia Reilly
Henkes, Kevin
Hoban, Russell
Hoff, Syd
Keats, Ezra Jack
Lionni, Leo
Lobel, Arnold
Marshall, James
McDonald, Megan
Mosel, Arlene (Tikki, Tikki Tembo)
Munsch, Robert
Numeroff, Laura
Osborne, Mary Pope (Magic Tree House)
Parish, Peggy
Potter, Beatrix
Prelutsky, Jack
Rey, H.A.
Sharmat, Marjorie (Nate the Great series)
Steig, William
Voirst, Judith (Alex series; Earrings)