# Second Grade Handbook



Welcome to Second Grade!

Green Forest R-2 Mrs. Schmitt 2021-2022

<u>Please sign and return the classroom management plan and contact information at the back</u> <u>of the handbook.</u>

## Attendance:

It is very important for your child to be at school and on time. School begins at 8:00. If your child is absent, please send a note so I can put it in their file.

### <u>Bells</u>

The first bell to begin class is at 8:00. The dismissal bell rings at 3:35. Students will be dismissed starting at 3:35.

### <u>Bus:</u>

Your child may not switch buses this year. If you are picking your child up early you have to sign them out at the door. Someone in the office will call for your child.

#### **Backpacks:**

Please check your child's backpack daily. Put your child's folder back in their backpack every night. You will find daily work and important notes in their folder. This is the best way for us to communicate on a regular basis.



#### <u>Shoes</u>

Please make sure your child wears tennis shoes to school every day. We are going to try and have PE outside as much as possible. We also have three recesses a day.

# Breakfast and Lunch

Breakfast and lunch will be at no extra cost to you this school year.

## <u>Snacks</u>

A fresh fruit or vegetable will be provided at snack time. It is encouraged for you to send an extra snack to school with your child. Your child may **<u>not</u>** bring candy from home for snack time.

# <u>Drinks</u>

Your child <u>must</u> bring a plastic water bottle daily. We have refilling stations at the water fountains. Your child may fill it up at school and empty it before leaving school. <u>Please wash your child's water bottle at home on a nightly</u> <u>basis</u>. **Please do not put water bottles in backpacks with water in them**. We have had several books ruined because of water damage. It may be kept on their desk during the school day.

# Classroom Management Plan:

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- 1. I will always do what my teacher asks!
- 2. I will always try my hardest!
- 3. I will follow all the rules!
- 4. I will smile a whole bunch!

# Classroom Rules

- 1. Listen
- 2. Follow directions
- 3. Treat everyone with kindness and respect.
- 4. Take care of supplies and the school.
- 5. Work and play safely and quietly.

Rules for Good Listeners

- 1. Ears listening
- 2. Eyes watching
- 3. Lips closed
- 4. Bodies silent
- 5. Sitting up straight

## Marble Jar

Second Grade has a marble jar. When the class is being good or receive a compliment they will get marbles. When the class misbehaves they can lose marbles. The class can earn weekly marble parties.

## Toys

Please do not allow your child to bring any toys to school. They become a distraction.

## <u>Birthdays:</u>

Parents are welcome to send in <u>store bought individually packaged treats</u> for birthdays. You may also consider a healthy birthday party. You could send in bubbles or another non-food reward. Please let me know when you are sending it in ahead of time.

# Contacting Me

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns you're always welcome to contact me. You can message me on messenger, write a note, email, or call me at the school. We can always set up and appointment if necessary.

School: 729-3902, 729-9412, or 729-2452 Email: <u>kschmitt@gfr2.k12.mo.us</u>

Facebook and Messenger

This will be the best way for us to communicate. We can message one another, send announcements, and view upcoming events.

#### Website

Check out our updated website. <u>http://www.gfr2.k12.mo.us/</u>

You will be able to find information about second grade under teacher webpages. You can get to second grades website through the districts webpage or by going to <u>http://mrsschmittsecondgrade.weebly.com/</u>. I will be updating information throughout the year on second grade's webpage.

#### Newsletters

Newsletters will be sent home on Friday or the last day of the week. It will have their spelling words, sight words, weekly skills, and important dates you will need. The school newsletter/lunch menu will be sent home at the beginning of each month.

## **Grading Scale**

Your child will earn letter grades this year.

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A+	B+	C+	D+
А	В	С	D

A- B- C- D-



#### <u>Homework</u>

Your child will be getting Reading Counts books from the library. They will need to read out of a Reading Counts book every school night. Spelling words and sight words will be assigned on a weekly basis. I recommend buying addition and subtraction flash cards for practicing fact fluency. When your child is fluent with addition and subtraction they can begin simple multiplication.



**Reading Counts** 

It is very important that your child reads 20 minutes a night. Reading Counts is a great way for them to achieve this goal by reading on his/her reading level. Your child will bring home a reading counts book. They will need to be returned to school daily. When your child is ready he/she will take a comprehensive test over the book. I recommend that each student take 2-3 tests per week. When they begin chapter books they may only need to test once a week. I will inform you about your child's point totals and percentage on each progress report and report card. Reading Counts is an excellent way to enhance your child's ability to read. Reading Counts is not a mandatory program it is used as an incentive.



I look forward to being your child's second grade teacher. Thank you for your support as we work together to ensure your child gets the best education possible. I understand you are your child's first and greatest teacher. It is going to be a great year!

Mrs. Schmitt

# Second Grade Classroom Management Plan

When in our classroom, students must comply with the following rules:

- 1. Listen when someone is talking.
- 2. Follow directions the first time they are given.
- 3. Treat everyone with kindness and respect.
- 4. Take care of our classroom and supplies.
- 5. Work and play safely and quietly.

If a student chooses to break a rule, the following consequences will occur:

- 1. 5 minutes of recess
- 2. 10 minutes of recess
- 3. 1 Recess
- 4. 2 Recesses
- 5. Teacher's Choice

If a student is severely disruptive, they will be sent to the office immediately.

Individual Students: When they are caught being good, following directions, or being kind and respectful they can earn rewards.

Whole Class: Second Grade has a marble jar. When the class is being good or receive a compliment they will get marbles. When the class misbehaves they can lose marbles. The class can earn weekly marble parties.

In order for this plan to have its greatest effect, I need your support. Please discuss this plan with your child, then sign and return it to me so I may put it in your child's file.

Thank you for your time and support.

Mrs. Schmitt

(Parent or Guardian Signature) (Student's Signature)