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Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to 2nd grade! We are excited about the opportunity to get to know you and are looking forward to a happy and productive school year next year. **Here are some skills your child can practice over the summer to retain their 1st grade skills, avoid the "summer slide" and be ready in August to ensure success in 2nd grade:**

Reading- 1. Read, Read, Read this summer! Read a 2nd grade text with purpose and understanding (94+ words per minute) ☺ *If you have access to internet use Imagine Learning, IXL & Raz-Kids*

2. Distinguish long and short vowels when reading regularly spelled one-syllable words (cat, pin & silent-e words: kite, mane)
3. Decode regularly spelled two-syllable words with long vowels (ex: decide, homework)
4. Ask & answer questions using who, what, where, when, why & how to demonstrate understanding of key ideas in a text.

Writing- Write a complete sentence using **beginning capitals, spaces, basic correct spelling, periods or question marks**. In 2nd grade, students should be able to write **12- 15 complete sentences** focusing on one main idea. ☺ Keep a journal, write about the stories read, write about daily activities, write letters to family

Math- Here are some math skills to practice:

1. Read & write numbers to 1,000.
2. Fluently add and subtract up to 100 with and without regrouping (carrying & borrowing)
3. Tell and write time from analog and digital clocks to the nearest five minutes using a.m/ p.m
4. Count money with dollar bills, quarters, dimes, nickels, & pennies up to $20.
5. Count within 1,000 & skip count by 2's, 5's, 10's & 100's.

☺ Make flash cards for math facts fluency, find pintables, games, puzzles, internet access:
www.ixl.com www.stmath.com www.coolmathgames.com

Things your child will need for school:

* Backpack
* Headphones or earbuds (please put your child's name on it)
* Pencil Box *crayons
* 2 small manual/ capped pencil sharpener
* Scissors *pencils
* Erasers *water bottle (w/child's name)
*dry erase markers (Expo)

Needed Class Donations:

*Kleenex Tissue Boxes
*Hand Sanitizer
*Disinfecting Wipes
*snacks

Once again, welcome to 2nd grade. Enjoy your summer vacation and we are looking forward to meeting you. Let's work together to make this the best year ever!

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