



**Dear Future Second Grade Parents,**

**Welcome to Second Grade!**

**The Second Grade Team is looking forward to working with you next year! As you prepare for second grade this summer, we encourage parents and children to read together. You might consider summer reading programs that are available through the public libraries. Reading with your child, to your child, and providing time for reading aloud and silently will be extremely beneficial. Discussing and asking questions about the story would also be helpful to increase your child's comprehension skills.**

**In math, students should know their addition and subtraction facts through 10 as well as their doubles facts ( $7+7=14$ ,  $9+9=18$ , etc.) Math games, practical math situations at the grocery store, handling money, predicting time for an event and discussing time should be encouraged. Also, being able to apply math skills through problem solving is a large focal point in second grade.**

**Give your child the gift of providing multiple opportunities to write. Letters and cards to family and friends, journals, grocery lists, and summaries of books or events are valuable writing ideas for your child to practice their writing skills. Assist them in using correct grammar and spelling, placing capital letters at the beginning of sentences and choosing exciting proper nouns in their sentences. The use of ending punctuation marks should also be stressed.**

**Be sure to check out our second grade website at [wolford2.weebly.com](http://wolford2.weebly.com). There you will find a plethora of activities under each subject tab. For example, Math Magician is great for practicing math facts, Starfall is available for fun activities in many subjects, and Tumblebooks is a wonderful resource for reading, just to name a few.**

**Please value your individual child's creative strengths. Encourage your child's imagination, sense of wonder, and independence.**

**Enjoy your summer and we look forward to a productive second grade school year.**

**Sincerely and respectfully,**

**The Second Grade Team**