



## Mrs. Godfrey's Second Grade Syllabus

### HOMEWORK

It is recommended that second grade students set aside a minimum of 20 minutes per day for homework on a regularly scheduled basis. All homework assignments will be sent home on Monday or attached to the weekly newsletter and should be turned in completed on Friday morning.

Examples of homework assignments.

- Math facts
- Spelling/sight word or vocabulary word practice
- I-Ready
- Work on special projects

HOMEWORK IS GIVEN TO REINFORCE SKILLS WE ARE LEARNING IN CLASS. PLEASE TREAT ALL HOMEWORK AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRACTICE AND MASTER SKILLS.

### MONEY

All money sent to school with your child must be in a sealed envelope or Ziploc bag labeled with your child's name, homeroom teacher's name, and reason for the money.

### BIRTHDAYS

Birthdays are a special time for anyone, especially first graders. You may celebrate your child's special day by bringing in cupcakes or cookies. You may choose to bring them in first thing in the morning and we'll pass them out during lunch or you may choose to bring them at lunchtime and help pass them out yourself. Just realize that we only have 30 minutes for lunch and other classes will need to be seated in our seats when our lunchtime is over. Please note that balloons are not allowed. Parties will not take place in the classroom during instruction time.

### ABSENCES and TARDIES

Of course, it is very important for your child to be at school every day. Whenever your child does need to be out for a whole day or part of a day, please send a note explaining the reason. The note can be from the doctor or dentist or a note from you. This year we can only accept up to **five** parent notes. Please see the student handbook for a list of excused absences. School opens at 8:50 this year. Students are tardy at 9:20.

### CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS

In our class...

1. We follow directions
2. We use kind words and polite manners
3. Keep our bodies to ourselves
4. We listen activity with our eyes, ears, and bodies
5. We obey safety rules
6. We work hard to grow our brains
7. We keep our areas neat.

Students will help write the rules on the first few days of school but these are a good guideline.

## **BEHAVIOR SYSTEM**

Student behavior will be monitored by using a clip up or down system. All students will begin each day in the ready to learn clip position. Students are rewarded when they are caught displaying positive behavior by clipping up the behavior chart and clip down for negative behavior. Your child's folder will be used as a contact about his/her behavior and will be sent home and returned each day. Dojo will also be used to reward for SOAR behaviors. These points will go toward admission to the monthly SOAR celebration and the SOAR store. **I will be using the DoJo for most of my communications. Please be sure to sign up.**

## **FOOD AND DRINK POLICIES**

Students are not allowed to bring any food from outside restaurants such as McDonalds or Subway to eat in the cafeteria. All meals are free for all students and are prepared to follow our RCBOE wellness policy. <https://www.rcboe.org/Page/60085>.

Inside the classroom, food and drink policies are up to the individual teacher with the exception of school provided breakfast or lunch. My class will be allowed to have a nutritious snack each day but the student must provide it. Students may bring water in a sealed container each day. Water bottles are to stay in a designated location within the classroom to protect devices from spills. No soda, juice, or tea is permitted.

## **CLASS PARTIES**

We will have two scheduled parties each year as per the RCBOE policy. Christmas and End of the Year. We may have other celebrations or recognitions throughout the year but they will be at the discretion of the administration and classroom teacher.

## **TRANSPORTATION POLICIES**

Students who ride a RCSS bus will receive and wear a RCSS Transportation Tag. Transportation changes must be provided to the school office in written form. Written, signed notes may be sent with a student, delivered to the school office during the day (before 3:00pm), or faxed to the school office at 706-220-2403. Emails to your homeroom teacher are also acceptable. Telephone calls will not be excepted. If a written form of notification is not received, the student will go home the regularly scheduled way.

## **GRADING SCALE**

Second grade students will be grade with a standards based rubric. The following link is to all the Second grade standard based rubrics. <https://www.rcboe.org/Page/33783>

STANDARDS BASED LEARNING PROGRESSION			
1	2	3 (TARGET)	4
Beginner Learner	Developing Learner	Proficient Learner	Distinguished Learner
Student demonstrates progress toward initial foundational skills of the topic.	Student demonstrates proficiency on foundational skills of the topic.	Student demonstrates proficiency on all grade level skills of the topic.	Student demonstrates understanding and performance beyond proficiency and has exceeded the standard.
			