  **Welcome to 2nd Grade**  

 It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2022-2023 school year! I am Mrs. Edwards, and I’m looking forward to having your child in my class. This is my 17th year of teaching at McBean Elementary. I taught 1st grade for eight years and this will be my ninth year in 2nd grade.

Second grade is such a fun year with many wonderful learning activities to celebrate your child’s growth and academic success. To have a great year, the most important goal is to create an environment where your child will be SAFE and nurtured in a structured atmosphere. Students are no longer required to wear facial masks, but if you want your child to wear a mask, they may do so. However, it is necessary for your child to bring a water bottle to school every day.

**Parent/Teacher Communication**

I believe communication between parents and teachers is an essential part of your child’s academic success. I will communicate with you throughout the year by notes, phone calls, Class Dojo, behavior charts, conferences, progress reports, and report cards. You may reach me by email at edwarch@boe.richmond.k12.ga.us, call 706-592-3723, Class Dojo message, or by placing a note in your child’s folder.

**Changes in Transportation**

When there is a change in the way your child normally gets home, you must **send a written** **notice**. If your child will ride a different bus, you must **send a written notice.** Any changes in transportation sent by written notice OR by calling the front office at 706-592-3723**. DO NOT send transportation changes by Class Dojo.** All car riders exit at the front of the school. Please **REMAIN IN YOUR CAR**! Teachers will escort students out.

**Homework**

Your child will bring a homework folder home Monday –Thursday. The folder should be returned each day with completed homework assignments. Remember to also study spelling, sight, and vocabulary words nightly. Please check the folder DAILY for valuable information that may have been added. If you need to send a note, doctor’s excuse, money, etc., please place it in the homework folder.

**Healthy Snacks**

2nd Graders have a late lunch (12:25), so students will have an opportunity to eat a daily snack. This is NOT A REQUIREMENT. If you want your child to have a snack, **PLEASE SEND A SNACK**. If you would like to donate snacks for the class, it would be appreciated!! If there are no “classroom snacks” and your child did not bring a snack, your child will not receive a snack. Any snacks donated to the class, must be healthy snacks (granola bars, popcorn, pretzels, baked chips, fruit cups, juice boxes, fruit gummies, etc.).

I look forward to wonderful year of growing and learning!

Mrs. Chenita Edwards