

I would just like to take this opportunity to explain some things that will be important in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade this year.

**Planners-** We will be using agendas to help keep track of homework. They are the binders you have purchased for your child. They will go home every night. Parents, you will need to look at them to see if your child has homework. Boxes that are checked off are completed. Boxes that are not checked will need to be completed. When your child is done with his or her homework, just simply sign it and have your child bring it back to school. Planners that are not brought back may owe recess time.

**Math-** Your child will have math homework almost every night. This is usually a short fact practice sheet and a short skill practice page. These should only take your child about 10-15 minutes to complete.

**Homework Folder-** Your child has been assigned a folder for homework. Your child may not have homework every night, but it will be a good idea to check for it every night. Usually homework is their math and any work students have not finished. Corrections may also come home as homework if they haven't finished them in school. If I send a note home, it may also be in this folder.

**Corrections-** Look at the top of the page for notes on corrections. They will say something like: Please correct, Finish, or See me. They will get the corrections in the morning to finish, but if they don't finish them in school they will come home as homework. A 'C' written on the problem will stand for corrected. When the page has been corrected, I put an OK at the top.

**Discipline Plan-** Each student has a pocket on a pocket chart that has four cards in it . Green, Yellow, Blue, and Red. Every child starts with a green card for the day. If a behavior is disrupting in class, I will have them pull the green card. This is basically a warning. If they have to pull a yellow card they will owe me 5 minutes at recess time. If they pull the blue card they will owe their whole recess and if the red card is pulled, they will either have a note sent home or we will call home to let you know about what is going on. They may also miss fun activities such as art, movies, field trips, class parties, etc. On the other hand we will be working as a class to earn extra recesses by adding marbles to the jar. When the jar is full of marbles we will get to go outside for an extra recess.

**P.E. Shoes-** Students will need a pair of tennis shoes that will stay at school and not go outside. If for some reason your child forgets his or her shoes, they will not be permitted to play in P.E. that day.

I know this is a lot, so if you have any questions please call anytime and I will do my best to help. Thank you in advance for all you do!!!!

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