SUMMER ELA PACKET

Rising 1st to 2nd Grade

Incoming 2nd Grade Checklist

ELA

- Read and comprehend short passages
- Read 60-90 words per minute
- Read independently for 5-10 minutes with little prompting or reminders to stay on task
- Retell or talk about a favorite book
- Demonstrate mastery of kindergarten and first-grade sight words *(attached below)*
- Write 5 sentences on topic using a capital letter and end punctuation
- Illustrate a story that matches what is written
- Demonstrate understanding of basic phonics patterns, including short and long vowels, blends, digraphs, and silent e patterns

Math

- Add and subtract numbers within 20 using strategies such as counters, number lines, place value blocks.
- Relate story problems to a number sentence
- Can write a number sentence
- Understands the value of 1s, 10s, 100s using place value blocks
- Can count to 100 verbally
- Can skip count to 120
- Can skip count by 2s, 5,s and 10s to 100
- Can identify basic 2D shapes

Social Emotional Skills

- *Know how to tie your shoes*
- Understand personal space
- Be able to understand big problems and little problems
- Being able to talk things out with peers
- Become responsible with folders and homework
- Know their address, telephone number, and birthday
- Understand how to be respectful to peers and teacher

Summer reading is very important for helping students keep their skills strong and feel confident as they head into second grade. When children read over the summer, they continue building on everything they worked so hard to learn during the school year.

We encourage all incoming second graders to read books at a second grade level or higher. Reading books that are just right or a bit challenging helps students grow in fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension.

Students may read independently, listen to books read aloud, or enjoy reading with a family member. Talking about stories—such as characters, setting, and what happened at the beginning, middle, and end—helps strengthen understanding.

To help keep track of summer reading, a Summer Reading Log is attached. Students are encouraged to complete the log by reading at least 20 books over the summer. Books can include a variety of genres, including fiction and nonfiction. Students who complete and return their reading log during the first week of school will receive a free dress pass!!

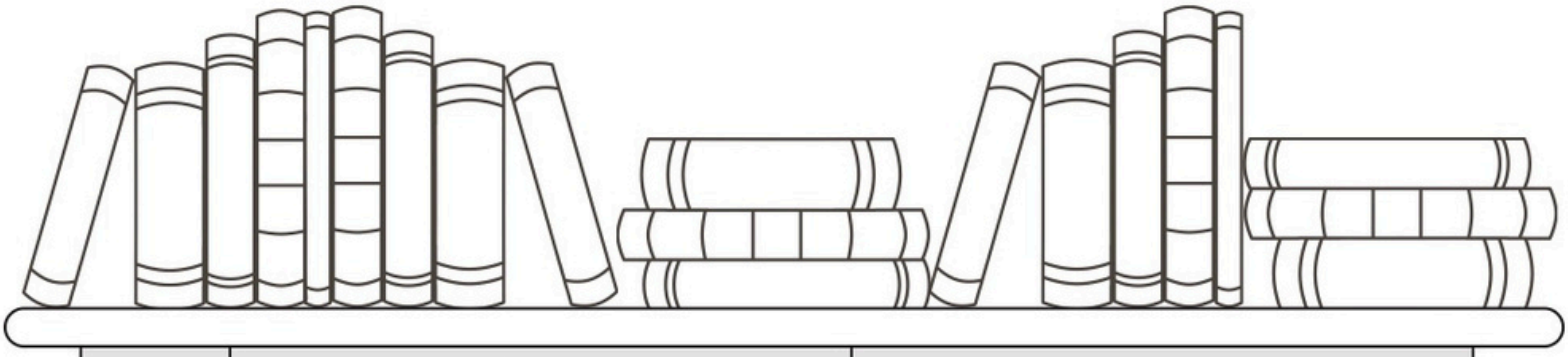
Just a few minutes of reading each day can make a big difference. Our goal is for students to return to school ready, confident, and excited for second grade!

_____'S READING SHELF

Books should be 2nd grade level or above to be counted towards the 20 book goal.

Start Date: _____ End Date: _____

Each time you finish a new book, color in a book spine and list its title and author.



Book #	Title(s)	Author
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		
9		
10		
11		
12		
13		
14		
15		
16		
17		
18		
19		
20		

Red words are high-frequency words that students practice reading automatically. Many of these words do not follow regular phonics patterns, so repeated practice at home can help build reading fluency and confidence.

Tips for Practicing at Home

Read the words together daily.
Practice 5–10 words at a time.
Use flashcards, magnetic letters, or write words in sand/shaving cream.
Have your child use the words in sentences.
Celebrate progress and keep practice short and positive.

Kindergarten Red Words

Is	The	And	I
Of	To	For	With
Do	You	See	His
As	Be	Her	Was
He	All	Been	Saw
Any	Are	Come	Does
From	Has	Like	Look
Love	Me	My	Off
Or	Put	Said	Say
She	So	Says	What

First Grade Red Words

About	Again	Also	Among
Boy	Call	Day	Every
Eye	First	From	Full
Girl	Give	Goes	Gone
Great	Have	Here	How
It's	Its	Knew	Know
Live	Look	Many	May
Most	Much	New	Often
Oh	Only	Other	Our
Out	Own	Part	Some
Such	Take	Than	They
To	Too	Two	Very
Want	Watch	Was	Way
We	Were	What	Where
Which	Who	Whose	Why
You			

Students should be able to read and spell all Kindergarten and 1st grade words before entering 2nd grade.

Parents of Upcoming 2nd Graders,

This summer, we encourage students to practice tying their shoes independently!

We will be starting a "Shoe Tying Club" in 2nd grade to help encourage responsibility and independence.

If your child wears tie shoes, please spend some time practicing over the summer so they can feel confident and prepared for the new school year!



Thank you for your support!