



**August 26, 2009**

**Dear Parents,**

**Welcome to the world of second grade in Room 12! Throughout the year I will present a cohesive program that will help your child meet the second grade standards. I look forward to a rewarding year with your child. Thank you for sending such enthusiastic learners! I am anxious to meet all of you at Back to School Night, on Thursday, September 17, 2009.**

**I would like your child's experience in second grade to be enjoyable, successful, and a positive transition from first grade. In this letter, I want to inform you of a few important aspects of my second grade program to help your child prepare for a great year!**

**Homework in the second grade is a valuable part of your child's education. Your child will be expected to always put forth her/his best effort. In addition to reinforcing the curriculum, homework also builds organization and study skills. Thank you for supporting your child's learning at home!**

**Independent reading is a continuous assignment for the year. Your child should read at least 20 minutes every night. The intent of this reading time is to increase vocabulary, comprehension and the enjoyment of reading!**

**Each Friday your child will bring home a Friday Folder which will include corrected papers for the week and parent notices from the classroom, school and community. After you and your child read the enclosed papers, please remove all of the papers. Please sign the Friday Folder to signify that you have reviewed and discussed the folder's contents for the week. The folder should be returned each Monday. Our partnership in monitoring your child's assignments should help to keep you informed of your child's progress each week.**

**I have included the Second Grade Supply List for your convenience. It would be great if your child could bring these supplies to school to help support his/her learning. Thank you for your support! I am looking forward to sharing more aspects of the second grade program with you at Back to School Night! Welcome back to school!**

**Sincerely,**

**Mary Deakers**

