

AUGUST

**WE ARE ROOM 11***Miss Boles**2nd Grade**2009-2010*

LET'S GET THINGS HOPPING!

Welcome 2nd Grade Class of 2009!  
I am so excited to have you here and  
look forward to a fantastic year!

## Dates to Remember

Monday, August 17th

### Class supplies due!

In order to get our year off an running efficiently, please try to provide your student with the recommended supplies. If you need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Monday, August 17th

### Homework Begins

Students homework will begin coming home this week. Please support your students in completing and returning homework on a daily basis.

Friday, August 21st

### First Day Packets Due!

Please return your students packet they receive the first day of school. There is pertinent information the office needs regarding your student. Thank you for your help!

August 31st - September 4th

### Parent Conferences

Be on the look out for your notice regarding the time and date of your parent conference. I look forward to meeting you!

Monday, September 7th

### No School!

In observance of Labor day, there will be no school. Enjoy your day off!

Wednesday, September 16th

### No School!

Fair Day! Take time to go enjoy the parade, rides, food and fun.

**W**elcome back! Our class mission this year is to work together as a team to display our students of character so everyone can achieve their best!

### Schedule

Mondays are early release days.  
Students get out of school at 1:10 pm.  
Class: 8:10-1:10  
Recess: 10:00-10:15  
Lunch: 11:15-12:00

Tuesday thru Friday are regular schedule days.  
Class 8:10-2:10  
Recess 10:00-10:15  
Lunch: 11:20-12:00

### Communication

Staying in communication with parents is a crucial part of your students education. Students will bring home a homework folder on a daily basis. Notices from the school, myself, classroom newsletters, and behavior notices will all be sent home in these folders.

If you need to get in contact with me, feel free to utilize your students homework folder or email me at [kristen.boles@sundale.org](mailto:kristen.boles@sundale.org). In an emergency, please call the school at (559) 688-7451 or my cell phone at (559) 280-3775.

# CLASS INFORMATION

## Homework

Homework will come home on a daily basis Monday-Thursday. Students will be asked to return homework the following day. Homework will be a combination of reading comprehension, math, spelling, and grammar. My expectation is for homework to take about 30-45 minutes each night. If your student is struggling to finish homework in that time frame, please let me know. Family time is very important to me so I would like your student to have ample time each night as well.

## Absences

Being in class every day is crucial in second grade. Even missing one day can create a struggle for your student to get caught up. In the event your child must miss a day, please contact the office to clear your student's absence. In the event your student needs to miss more than 5 days in a row, please let me know so we can create a plan for your student. Excessive absences can severely affect your student's education.



## Getting Involved

As our year gains speed, many opportunities for you to get involved will be available. We are always in need of volunteers for classroom parties, special events, and field trips. Flyers will come home as these different events come up. Please watch your student's homework folder for flyers so you can get involved.

In addition, if you are interested in volunteering in our room I am excited to have you. Feel free to give one day a month or volunteer weekly. 24 hours notice will allow me to be prepared for your assistance.

## Classroom of Character

Developing students with great character is a priority in my classroom. Student behavior will be monitored daily. A behavior section is provided on the daily homework sheet to indicate how your student is doing each day.

Behavior Expectations:

- Come to school every day, prepared to learn
- Be respectful to others
- Follow directions
- Turn in homework and classwork on time.
- Listen when others are speaking.
- Raise my hand before speaking.
- Take care of classroom materials.
- Tell the truth.
- Keep our classroom and school clean.
- Treat others the way you want to be treated.



Excellent behavior will be rewarded in the following ways:

- Friday choice time
- Lunch with the teacher
- Extra recess
- Note home
- Star Student of the Month
- Verbal Praise

Negative behavior will face the following consequences:

- 1st warning: verbal warning
- 2nd warning: owe one recess
- 3rd warning: call parents
- 4th warning: removal from the class, phone call to parents, and owe one recess

Your a vital part of my behavior team! If you ever have any concerns, please contact me right away so we can work together to provide the best learning opportunities for your student.

# Classroom Supplies

**To assist your student this year, I am asking each family to provide the following items for your student:**

## 1 Inch White Three Ring Binder

These can be obtained for many locations. Remember, simple is better. Binders with clear covers or extra pockets provide opportunities for your student to become distracted.

## 1 Bottle of Hand Sanitizer

Keeping our students hands clean is very important. One bottle should be sufficient. If at all possible, alcohol free products are preferred.

## 1 Pack of Markers

Markers are a great tool to have on hand and students love using them. If you could please provide one pack for your child it would be greatly appreciated.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### Limit Pencil Box Materials

At this age, students tend to be very excited about obtaining pencil boxes and all the goodies that go in them. I ask for parent to please limit purchasing these items for their students. They tend to become toys rather learning supplies. I provide each student with pencils, erasers, crayons, scissors, glue and any additional items your student may need throughout the year. If a need arises for these items, I will ask for donations at that time.

### Rolling Backpacks

Rolling backpacks are a great tool for older students. In second grade, your student will have limited items to take and return to school on a daily basis. Please try to purchase a standard carry backpack for your student. This helps in eliminating clutter in our classroom.

“There is a brilliant child locked inside every student.”

Marva Collins

