

## Second Grade Newsletter

Friday, July 13, 2018

Dear Families,

This week we have been kicking off second grade by learning about good citizenship and class routines and procedures. I have found that much effort on the front end pays off greatly as we move through the year. Next week we will work together to set hopes and dreams for ourselves and to set classroom rules. If you haven't yet sent in the parent hope and dream we will be posting them in our room Monday and would love to add yours to our wall. It is on the welcome letter. If you need another copy with directions please email me at [barnettk@etsu.edu](mailto:barnettk@etsu.edu).

In math we began working with data and used our math time to practice reading and recording data while still learning about each other. We will continue this next week. Next week we will also begin reviewing basic addition strategies. Our goal will be for basic addition facts to become automatic so that we will have a much easier time when we learn to add very large numbers and regroup.

We began some of our basic language arts expectations this week. We have written a lot so far this week and we began moving towards our regular literacy stations. We will build into this in the coming weeks. We also began a class read aloud, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl.

I have started out small in every academic area as we get used to each other, our classroom procedures, and our behavior expectations. I have assured the second graders not to worry- we will be challenging our brains to work hard very soon! We have been doing very well and I'm pleased with how far we have come.

Each Friday I will send this newsletter and I will also include some questions you can ask your child. This is meant to help you have conversations with your child about their day by prompting them with some of our key happenings.

-Ms. Kelli

### Questions to Ask Your Child:

- What are your reading loft safety rules?
- What are you looking forward to about second grade?
- What is Go Noodle?
- What is a tally mark?
- What is happening in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory?

### Announcements:

- Next Thursday, July 19<sup>th</sup> is open house. The second grade room will be open from 6-7:30. Please see the details that were sent via remind for more information.
- If you have not been receiving remind announcements and news please sign up for our class remind app ASAP. The directions can be found on our class webpage under the weekly newsletter tab. Our class webpage address is:  
<https://www.etsu.edu/uschool/faculty/barnettk/default.php>
- The behavior management plan for our class is coming home today. Look for our class schedule to come home one day next week.
- Thanks for all your support!

