

**Miss Jindra
Second Grade
2011- 2012 School Year**



Classroom Rules

1. Be Ready
2. Be Respectful
3. Be Responsible
4. Be a Friend

Consequences

1. Verbal warning
2. Positive practice
3. Time out
4. Office referral

*We will also have a card system in our classroom.

Classroom Policies

Second grade is a year to develop independence and responsibility. Please allow your child to walk to his/her class without your guidance. When completing homework, try to help as little as possible. Let your child work and then check their homework over. If there are mistakes, review the concept with them and then complete together for practice.

Grades

Grades will be taken on work that is completed at school. I do not take any homework assignments for a grade. Papers that come home with a scored point and percentage have been recorded in my grade book through EasyGrade Pro. Papers that have a smiley face on them have not been recorded. Papers that have DT on them were “done together.”

Newsletters

A newsletter will come home every week on Friday.

Birthday Celebrations

Birthday treats are welcome. Please plan treats for 22 students. Please remember to bring napkins or utensils if they are needed.

Students who have a summer birthday may celebrate on their “half birthday” or at the end of the year. Just let me know so that I can prepare the birthday sign, prayer, and their award. ☺



Supplies

Please make sure your child has all the supplies they need to be successful this year. Supply reminders will be sent home when your child needs to replace a supply. Remember to mark all supplies with their name.

My Philosophy

- Learning is a fun, active process.
- Using a variety of strategies and teaching methods is important in teaching all learners.
- Students participate in learning.
- Consistency is KEY!
- Classrooms have well-established routines.
- Parents and teachers work together.

Homework Policy

Homework is an important part of your child's school experience. If your child does not complete their homework, they will have to stay indoors for recess to complete it. If a student forgets their folder or completed homework at home, they will receive one warning each quarter.

Missing assignments will be reflected on student's report cards under the work habits section.

Reading Homework

The reading books will come home every Thursday night. Your child should read the story out loud to an adult or older sibling. Please make sure your child brings their book back to school the next day, as we will use them in class everyday.

Your child should read for 15 minutes a day, 5 days a week.

Spelling Pretests

Your child will take a Spelling Pretest every Monday. If they miss zero or only one word, they will receive the Challenge List, which are words from our reading story or other vocabulary terms that we are currently studying.

Challenge List words will not be taken for a grade.



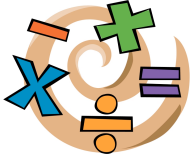


Spelling Homework

Your child will have spelling homework on Monday and Thursday night. Please practice the words more often if needed. We will take the Spelling Test every Friday.

Math Homework

Study math facts three nights a week for ten minutes. We will have a time test every week.



Your child will have a review or practice worksheet for each chapter the night before the test.

Science/ Social Studies Homework

Weekly reading will be assigned so that your child can review topics already covered in class. Please make sure your child brings their book back to school the next day, as we will use them in class everyday.

A study guide will come home a week or so before each test.

Science/ Social Studies Jeopardy

We will play Jeopardy the day before the test. This is a fun way to review all the concepts we have learned from the chapter.

Special Notes about Homework

Homework will rarely be given on Fridays. The only exception is when students need to study for a Math or Science/Social Studies test or work on a project. Your child should still read for 15 minutes over the weekend.

*Additional assignments may be required throughout the year. A paper will always explain the assignment.

Daily Edit and Minute Math

When your child walks into the room each morning, they will have two sentences on the board that they need to correct in their notebook. The sentences have capitalization, punctuation, and grammar mistakes. There are never any spelling mistakes. After announcements, we will check over the sentence and discuss the mistakes.

Minute Math includes daily math problems that students can complete in their notebooks.



Mystery Reader

A Mystery Reader is a family member who comes to read to the class after lunch and recess. You can set up a time with me by emailing or sending in a note. We will both work together to keep it a secret from the students.

You may bring your own book, possibly your child's favorite, or borrow one of mine. Please arrive to school at 12:25 and remember to sign in at the office. Reading will only take about fifteen minutes and the students love having their family members in our classroom. Thank you for your help with this special activity.

Special Classes

Monday	Gym Spanish
Tuesday	Technology
Wednesday	Art
Thursday	Gym
Friday	Music Library

School Forms

Please return to school the Parent Survey Form by Tuesday, August 30.

Questions

Please feel free to contact me any time you have questions or concerns. You can call me at (216) 521 – 4115 or email me at Jindra@stmarkwestpark.com

Working together will help your child reach his or her fullest potential this year.

We are going to have a GREAT year!

