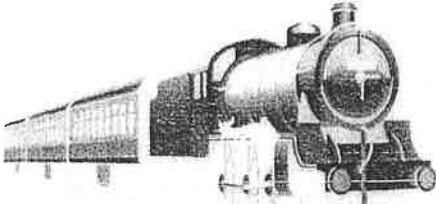


Let it be known,
That Christ is the reason for this school.

He is the unseen but ever present
Teacher in its classes.

He is the model for its faculty.
The life long inspiration of His students.



Dear parents of a soon to be SECOND GRADER,

I trust that you and your family will have a happy, healthy, and restful summer.

Soon we will be back again for another exciting trip on the Divine Mercy learning train. Children will be welcomed aboard on Wednesday, September 4th. Line-up is at 7:40am. Don't be late!

During the school year you will receive a Refrigerator Sheet and a For Your Information (F.Y.I.) schedule every Thursday inside your child's test folder . This will be our itinerary which keeps students and parents well informed of school events. The F.Y.I. sheet will give you a day by day account of tests, school assemblies, and church celebrations. The Refrigerator Sheet specifies exactly what topics, lessons, spelling words and prayers are being taught and learned that week.

Starting September 5th, we are full steam ahead. Our destination is Third Grade. Along the way we will pick up passengers called responsibility, trustworthiness, creativity, self-control, politeness, tolerance and morality. Our train goes back in time to learn our country's history and to study the lives of those who helped shape our present day. Your child will come to understand that a ride on the learning train is the best way to arrive at their future destination, a successful life.

To ride on the Divine Mercy learning train uniforms are required to be worn each day, starting with the first day of school.

Boys..... black pants and white shirt
black shoes (sneakers only on gym days, Monday and Wednesday)
red school vest or school sweater
black school gym shorts or sweatpants and gym T-shirt (Mon. and Wed..)

Girls..... white blouse and red plaid jumper
black shoes (sneakers only on gym days, Monday and Wednesday)
black knee socks or tights
black school gym shorts and T-shirt (Mon. and Wed.)
NO cat ear headbands or multicolor bows
ONLY red or black solid color hair bows or the school plaid headband

Scheduled Special Stops Are As Followed:

Monday..... Gym
Tuesday..... Spanish Class
Wednesday....Gym and Library Classes
Thursday.....Technology Class
Friday.....Music and Art Classes

We don't want to run out of gas along the way, so remember to pack a healthy snack for your child every day. Try to avoid treats with high sugar content and no nutritional value. A good breakfast every morning really does make a difference.

Attached you will find the classroom supplies list. All supplies are needed from the first day of school. Parents will be asked to cover your child's books during the first full week of school. Book Sox covers work well for the three hard covered books. All workbooks require paper or clear Contact plastic as a cover.

Please complete the enclosed poster during the summer and return it completed on the first day of school.

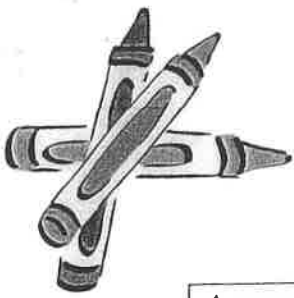
Toot.....toot

ALL ABOARD!!



See you on the train,

C. Karakonstantis
Mrs. Colleen Karakonstantis



Classroom Supplies for Your Second Grader

Amount Needed	Items
1.....	pencil case (material with zipper)
1.....	box of crayons (24 count or smaller)
4.....	pencils at all times (plain yellow #2)
1.....	eraser (plain, no characters)
1.....	glue stick
1.....	scissors (child size to fit your child's hand)

All of the items listed above should fit into the pencil case.



- 1.....book bag
- 1.....lunch box (to carry snacks, drinks, and lunch)
- 2.....Book Sox covers
(For the hard cover books, Reading and Science)
- 10..... Book covers for paper back books

Books will be covered at home by the parents during the first full week of school.

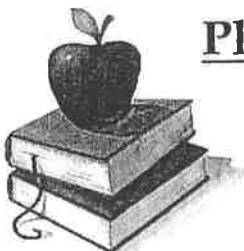


Cleanliness of the Classroom

Please send in these items the week of September 9th

- 1large container of disinfecting wipes (Lysol, Clorox)
- 1.....bottle of hand sanitizer
- 1.....box of baby wipes
- 3.....large boxes of tissues
- 1.....large roll of paper towels

Please put your child's name on all personal items.



Summer Reading, Writing, and Math For Second Graders



During the summer months please have your children
READ, READ, READ
for enjoyment.

There's an adventure in every book.

Attached is a suggested reading list followed by a Reading Rocket page. Your child will receive a special gift on September 5th when he/she returns the completed Reading Rocket paper to school.



There are two rules to follow:

1. Your child must read 10 books.
Write the 10 book titles onto the Reading Rocket sheet.
2. A parent or library must initial each book title to confirm if the book was truly read by the child.

WRITING Keep a family summer diary. Each family member writes their unique adventure each day. Children are encouraged to write well if they see their parents enjoying the task. A notebook has been provided for your Summer Family Journal. **Makes a great keepsake.**

MATH There are many websites in which your child can sharpen their math skills here are a few:

www.internet4classrooms.com

www.mathblaster.com

www.funbrain.com



This book is being read by:

Books I've Read:

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★ **Incoming 2nd Grade Summer Reading List** ★

★ **Picture Books:** ★

- ★ A Chair for my Mother by Vera Williams ★
- ★ Albert by Donna-Jo Napoli ★
- ★ Andrew's Loose Tooth by Robert Munsch ★
- ★ Big Blue by Shelley Gill ★
- ★ The Boy on Fairfield Street by Kathleen Krull ★
- ★ Brundibar by Maurice Sendak ★
- ★ The Relatives are Coming by Cynthia Rylant ★
- ★ Cosmo and the Robot by Brian Pinkney ★
- ★ Dahlia by Barbara McClintock ★
- ★ Diary of a Worm by Doreen Cronin ★
- ★ Edward and the Pirates by David McPhail ★
- ★ Ella Fitzgerald by Andrea Davis Pinkney ★
- ★ Ellington was not a Street by Ntozake Shange ★
- ★ Fireboat by Maira Kalman ★
- ★ Henry Hikes to Fitchburg by Donald B. Johnson ★

★ **Chapter Books:** ★

- ★ A-Z Mysteries by Ron Roy ★
- ★ Bailey School Kids (series) by Debbie Dadey ★





★ Brave Norman (series) by Andrew Clements

★ Young Cam Jansen (series) by David Adler

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★ Fantastic Mr. Fox by Roald Dahl

★ Henry and Mudge (series) by Cynthia Rylant

★ Horrible Harry (series) by Suzy Kline

★ Iris and Walter (series) by Elissa Guest

★ Magic Treehouse (series) by Mary Pope Osborne

★ Nate the Great (series) by Marjorie Sharmat

★ Pinkey and Rex (series) by James Howe

★ Poppleton (series) by Cynthia Rylant

★ Encyclopedia Brown (series) by Donald J. Sobol

★ Secrets of Droon (series) by Tony Abbott

★ The Zack Files (series) by Dan Greenberg

★ My Weird School (series) by Dan Gutman

★ Diary of a Wimpy Kid (series)

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★ *Please know that this is only a recommended reading list. If*

★ *there are other appropriate books that you would rather read*

★ *(with your parents' approval), please feel free to read them.*

