

Hello Future 2nd Grade Parents

I am so excited summer is here! I hope you have a memorable time with family and friends, but please take time to continue reading and practicing math facts regularly.

During the summer, students in the early stages of learning to read need to continue practicing to maintain their skills. I recommend students read *20 minutes a day, 5 days a week*, out loud to an adult. Find stories that are fun and interesting! As students are reading, encourage them to take pictures in their heads. After they have read a page, ask specific questions about what they see in their minds. Who is the character, what is the setting, and what happened at the beginning, middle, and end. This helps them to start developing comprehension skills.

Please have all of these supplies for your student on the first day of school. Many of the supplies are on sale in late July or early August:

(Essentials)

- Zipper Pencil pouch, no locks (PLEASE LABEL WITH NAME)
- 10 pencils
- Box of Crayola crayons 16 or 24 count only
- Plastic container for crayons (travel soap box or you can get these boxes at Wal-Mart)
- Colored Pencils
- Black Expo markers-preferably the thin ones. Black only.
- 1 pack of copy paper
- 1 highlighter
- 1 Pair Children's Scissors
- Glue sticks (Elmers are the best!!)
- **Wireless computer mouse with batteries (super important!)**
- **Wired Earbuds (super important!)**

Classroom Wishlist: Pencils, black expo markers, highlighters, Clorox Wipes, hand sanitizer, Kleenex, AA batteries (extras for computer mice). Amazon Wish list: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2YDT9YRVYH3RV?ref_=wl_share

Have a wonderful summer!!!

Mrs. Gallagher

kgallagher@mapleschool.org