



SECOND GRADE NEWS

Back to School Night, Important Notes and Math

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

We look forward to seeing you at **Back to School Night** next Thursday, October 8 at 7:00! The evening begins in the theater with a brief all school meeting, followed by an informational slideshow of "A Week in Second Grade" featuring your children hard at work and play. We will introduce our subjects and answer your questions. Bring questions from yourself and from your child!



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Questions for your 2nd grader this week:

Tell me about your memoir! What stage of writing are you in? (writing, peer conference, teacher conference, publishing)

Let's practice combinations that make ten—I understand you should know your combinations at the snap of your fingers!

What are you working on in art class?

Important Notes

- ⇒ Many thanks to the Harrell Family for a wonderful JK-2 Parent Dinner last night. The dinner was delicious, your home is beautiful, and the evening was enjoyed by all!
- ⇒ Please see the handout in this folder from Martha Burke about the science Vertebrate Groups Zoo!
- ⇒ If your child takes photos of birds, draws birds, or creates art of any kind of birds have him/her bring his/her piece to school for the Pop Up Art Show! (see Take Note!)
- ⇒ As we send home math games and cards please use them for practice and keep them for future use. We sent home a math text book last week for you to use just in case your child does not understand his/her homework; math sure has changed since we were young!
- ⇒ Trading cards of any kind are not allowed at school!
- ⇒ Hill's library has a number of informational self help books for adults to check out. Come visit the library and see our great titles!

Dates to Remember

Back to School Night	10/8 7 PM
A Hill Pop Up Art Show- Birds	10/9
Parent Teacher Conference Day	10/15
Fall Holiday	10/16
Blandy Farm Field Trip	10/29

Math

We are using the math program called Investigations. It is aptly named as the students are asked to investigate the areas of mathematics: number sense, geometry, measurement, data analysis, and early algebra. We will engage our range of learners in understanding mathematics and will guide your child to think of himself/herself as a mathematical thinker. We work collaboratively, listening to each other's thoughts, and will work with many types of manipulatives to better grasp the purpose of how mathematics works. We do send homework in the purple folder periodically; students have two days to complete it and return it to school. It is your child's responsibility to hand in his/her own work.

