

Second Grade Syllabus 2024-2025

A note from Mrs. Miller

I am thrilled at the opportunity to get to know your child this school year. God made them uniquely special, and it's my desire to celebrate the person God created them to be. It is a joy to watch children grow physically, academically, and spiritually. Second grade offers many opportunities for character growth and development, and I can't wait to see the work the Lord does in little hearts this year. I am rooting for your child and available to help along the way! Please speak up if an issue arises, sooner than later, so that we can work together for a solution. The following guidelines, subject to change as needed, will serve as a road map for us. I'm praying for a fantastic year together!

Blessings,

Mrs. Miller

Class verse:

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them. Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in Him. Psalm 34:7-8 (NIV)



Contact Information:

Email: ecsecondgrade@wocs.org

Email me any time with questions or concerns.

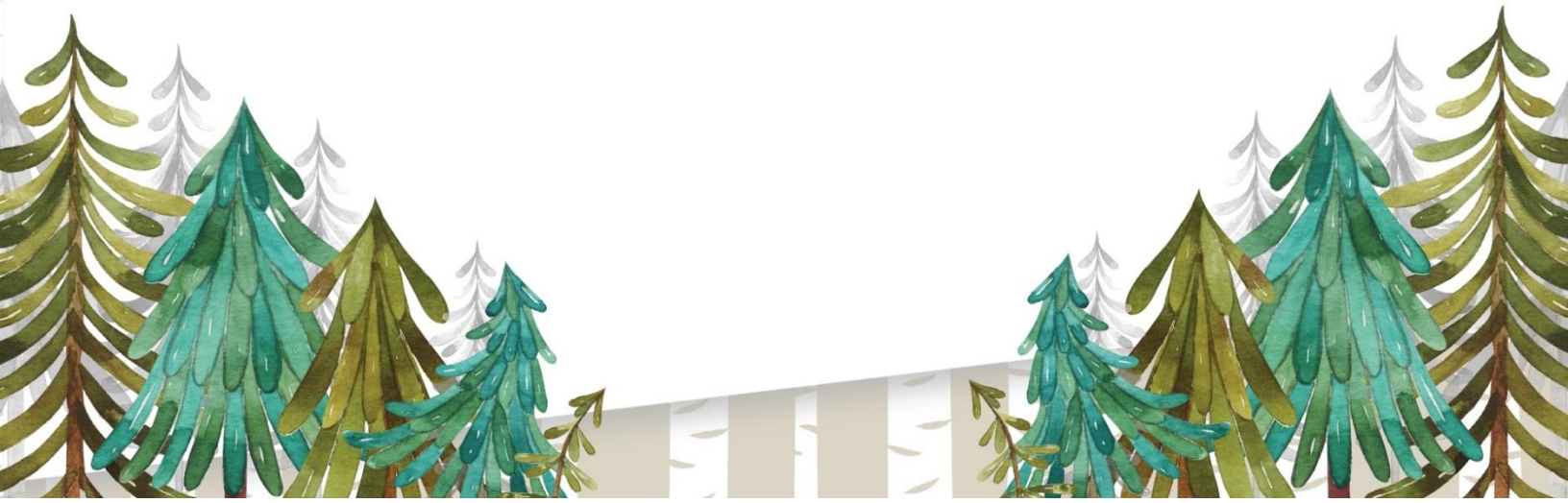
I will reply as quickly as possible, but that might be the next school day.

Group Me will have class communication, in addition to the weekly newsletter. This will include announcements, reminders, and photos. If you do not want your child's photos shared to group me, school promotions and yearbook, please let me and the office know. I will check group me before school each day and until 4:30 p.m.

Appointments: If you have any concerns that cannot be addressed by digital means, we can schedule a phone call, a meeting after school, or visit at parent teacher conferences.

Money:

Please use the zipper pouch in the daily take home folder to send any money for snack sales, Friday chapel offering, etc. FACTS may be used for some field trip payments, unless it is such a small amount cash is preferred. Notice will be given ahead of time for facts field trip payment.



Classroom Management:

Each day students will be encouraged to follow the rules, work hard, and behave in a godly, kind and respectful manner by the following methods:

Pom-Pom store:

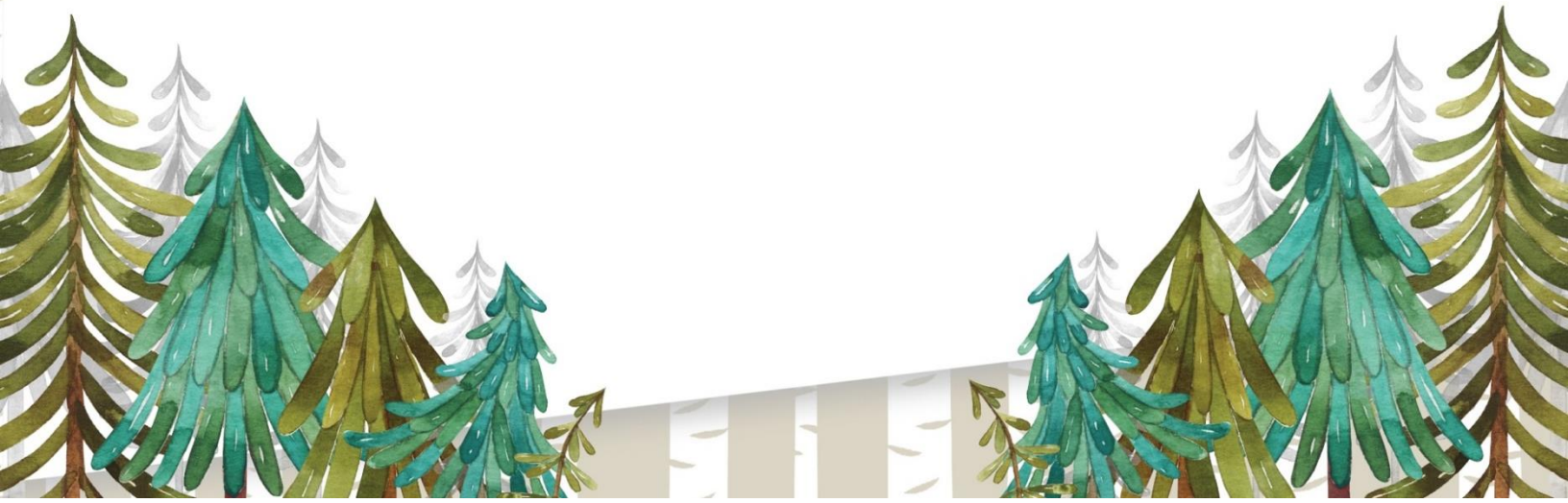
Students will begin the day with at least 5 pom-poms to be used to shop the prize box bi-weekly. Students may gain pom-poms for “extra-mile” kindness or practicing good listening. For disobedient, disrespectful or disruptive behavior, students will have to turn in a pom-pom.

-Consequences for loss of pom-poms are as follows:

- 1– Verbal Warning
- 2– 5 minute time-out/ sitting at the desk near Mrs. Miller’s desk
- 3– Loss of recess time or centers time.
- 4– Visit to Mrs. Thomas and a note sent home.

The class also has jar of pom-poms for good group behavior. The class will vote on a class celebration for filling the jar.

This system may change as we learn and grow together.

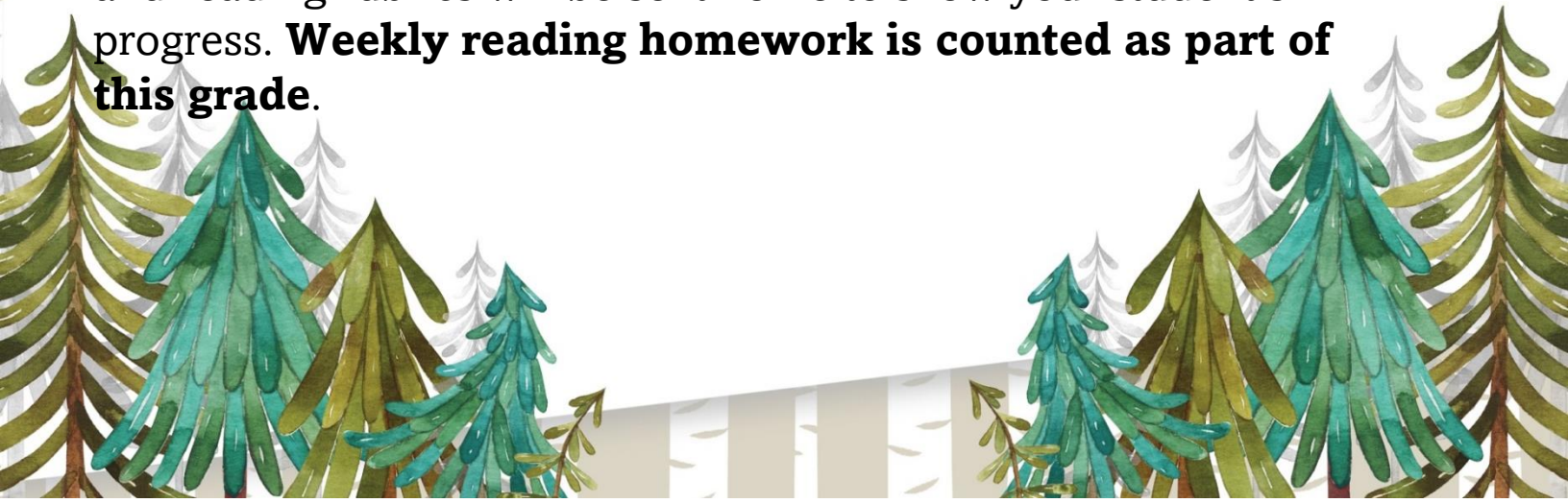


Make-up work:

If an absence occurs, a make-up work folder will be sent home. Lesson plans will be available online in FACTS for reference. Make-up work is due in as many days missed. For example, if a student misses one day, they have one school day to complete make-up work. Extenuating circumstances may be considered for additional time to complete a missed assignment. Please assist your child with the work as it may be new material. If a test is missed, it may require staying in from recess to complete the missed test. If an absence is planned, work may be sent home ahead of time, at your request.

Homework:

Homework will usually be limited to the student reading aloud the assigned pages from their readers. Practicing spelling words and memory verse often and studying for tests will help your child succeed. **Reading Homework will only be assigned Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday. Please sign the reading log in the reader when reading is complete.** Any special projects or assignments will come with instructions in newsletter and/or an announcement in group me. If a student does not complete daily work during the allotted time, they will have to complete it at home that night. If your child is having worksheet homework frequently, visit with them about finishing their work on time with a good attitude. Reading evaluations will be scheduled on Fridays and reading rubrics will be sent home to show your student's progress. **Weekly reading homework is counted as part of this grade.**



Tests:

Bible/Verse tests happen each Friday. Bible tests will alternate between written and oral exams. Please work each week on the verse at home. We will practice writing it and saying it in class, but your support at home is very helpful in your child's success in hiding this verse in his or her heart.

Spelling tests will happen on Friday, pre-tests on Thursday. An "A" (90+) on pre-test, will result in skipping the test on Friday with extra time to read or play. If a student desires higher than a 90%, they may retake the test again on Friday. The higher grade of the two tests will serve as the grade in the gradebook. Weekly lists will be available in the daily take home folder. Please practice throughout the week at home. A few bonus words will be included.

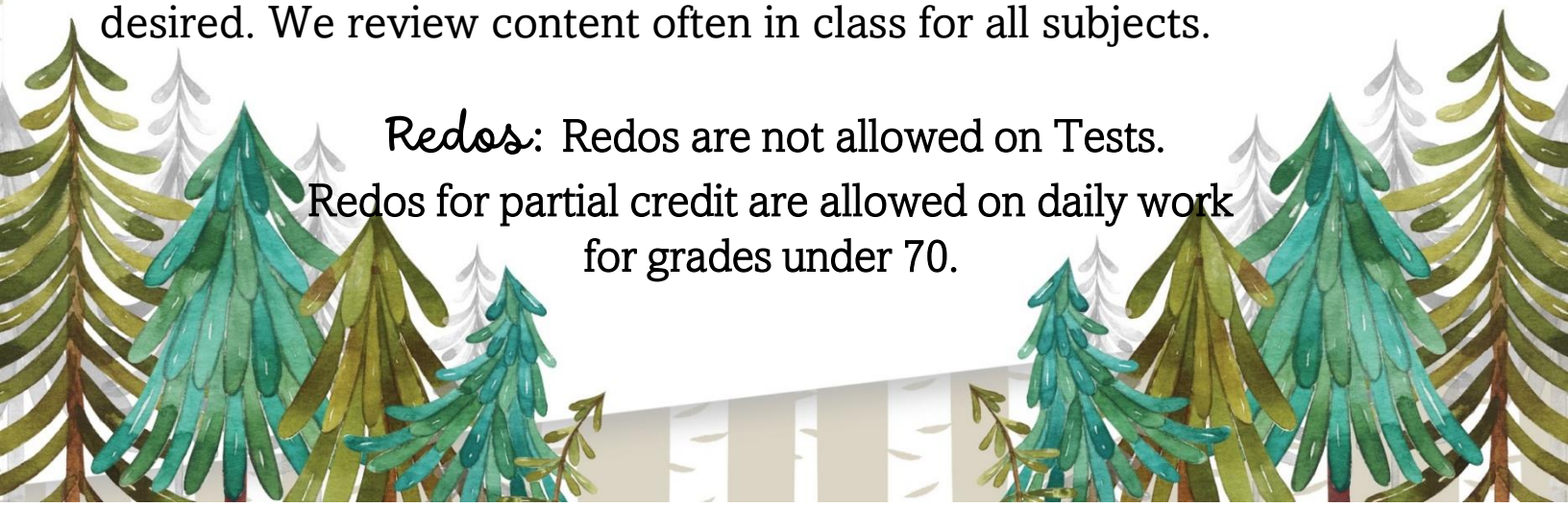
Language Arts, History, Science and Arithmetic tests will vary based on unit completion. **Phonics and Math tests are usually every five days.** Our History text will be covered in the fall, and Science in the spring.

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*Study guides will be sent home regularly for Spelling, History, Science and Bible, but will likely not be sent home for Phonics, Math and Handwriting. Completed worksheets may serve as a review, if desired. We review content often in class for all subjects.

Redos: Redos are not allowed on Tests.

Redos for partial credit are allowed on daily work for grades under 70.



Facts:

Grades are posted on Facts. It is my goal to post them weekly. You can also view lesson plans on Facts.

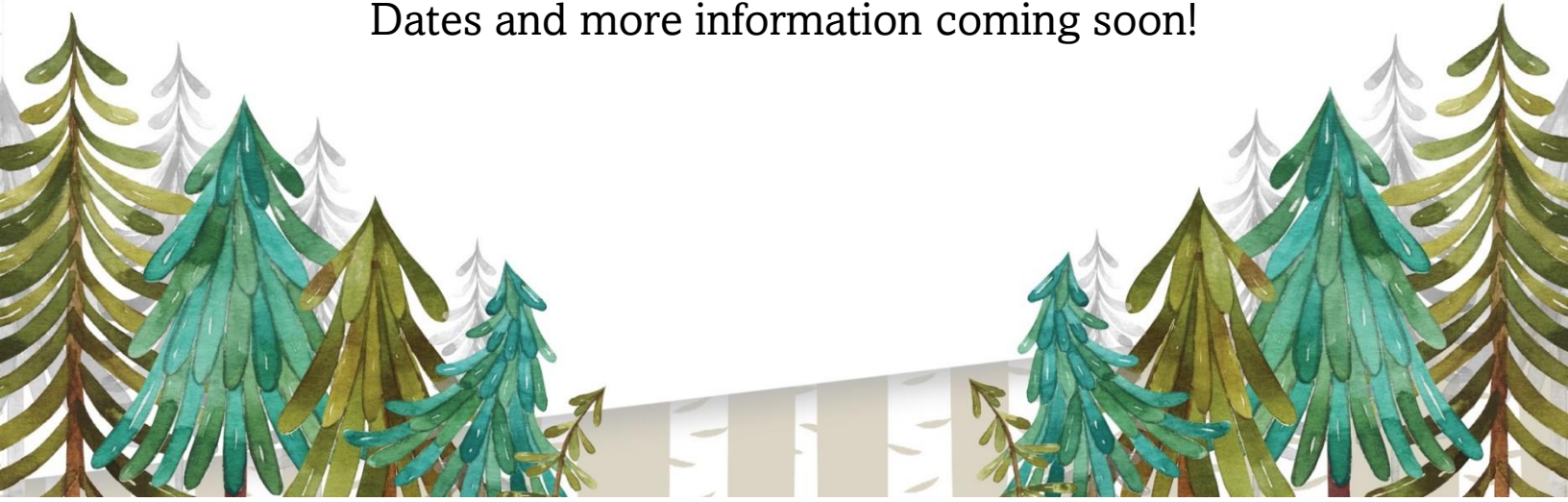
Snacks:

We will have two snacks a day, morning and afternoon. Please send two packages of shareable dry snacks for morning snack time. Examples are pretzels, goldfish, turkey sticks, fruit snacks, dry cereal and animal crackers. I will update you as we use up our snack supply. In the afternoon, individual snacks are allowed. You may send a supply for you student's locker, or you may send individual snacks in your child's backpack day-by-day. Lunchboxes are stored in the chapel, so afternoon snacks and water bottles need to be in lockers or backpacks. Please send a water bottle daily, with only water. No other beverages are allowed in the classroom, though special drinks are allowed at lunch or for class parties. Flavored water is allowed, but please not anything that will stain the carpet.

Field trips:

Four field trips will happen this year. Parents or grandparents are welcome to attend field trips with their children, but it is not required. **To drive students to a field trip, the office MUST have insurance and driver's license on file.**

Dates and more information coming soon!



Holiday Parties:

Parent volunteers are needed for the following class parties:

Christmas party: Dec. 20, early dismissal at 1:30 p.m.

God's Love Party: February 14

Grandparent Day: April 4

Resurrection Party: April

A sign-up sheet for planning class parties will be offered at our first Parent Teacher conference. Birthday treats for the class on student birthdays are allowed, usually during afternoon snack. Morning donuts are allowed, too. No gifts allowed for the birthday student. No invitations to birthday parties will be passed out at school unless everyone in the class is invited. Summer birthdays will be celebrated on one day at the end of the school year, announced on group me at that time.

