

Second Grade Homework Policy:

Why a 'Suggested Homework' policy?

In order to respect your time and family commitments, the Second Grade Team will continue with a 'Suggested Homework' policy. We recognize that many parents appreciate guidance with ways to help their child at home. Our policy is simple. We will continue to assign work connected to our daily lesson and units of study, BUT as a family you can decide what assignments get completed and when.

In order to respect your choice, we will not make a classroom announcement about this homework policy. We are going to let families (parents) decide how they want to handle this. Some of you may wish to continue doing all of the homework and turn it in as usual. Others may decide that only doing one or none of the assigned activities is suitable for your child. Again, this is up to you to decide!

What will the 'Suggested Homework' policy look like?

To ensure flexibility in when you complete the suggested assignments, our team will provide a monthly homework calendar that will be sent home at the beginning of each month. The calendar will typically be due on the last Friday of each month. On the due date, your child will return their yellow folder with their homework calendar and any other assigned work that was completed.

What will be included in the 'Suggested Homework' policy?

<u>Math</u> - We will continue to assign the homework pages that are provided with our math curriculum, enVision, as reinforcement. All needed math assignments will be stapled together in a packet and the calendar will indicate when each lesson will be taught.

Independent Learning Projects - Each month we will provide an 'Independent Learning' opportunity that aligns to our curricular units. These suggestions are optional. If your child chooses to complete the project, they will have the opportunity to share their work with the class prior to placing their work on our 'Independent Learning' board in the classroom.

<u>Reading</u> - In addition, we ask that your child read for 15-20 minutes each and every night. You can simply color in the dates on the calendar to indicate your child read independently, was read to, or listened to reading.

How is my support needed?

Whatever you choose in regards to the 'Suggested Homework' policy, we ask you to please understand that throughout the year we will be asking you to aid your child in completing work needed for projects in order to enhance our curricular goals. In these cases we will provide ample time for you to do so. We also hope that you will continue to assist your child with class work they may not have completed during school to ensure they are meeting grade-level targets and individual learning goals.

We know how precious family time is! We know that authentic conversations and experiences make the best of that time together and hope this will allow for more quality time with your family!

As always, we thank you for your support and sharing your child with us!

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