



June, 2010

Dear Families,

I am very much looking forward to having your child in my class next school year! Second grade is an *awesome* year! For many students it is First Communion in May. This is a joyous time for all involved. During the first couple of weeks, we will be spending a lot of time building community within our classroom. This is very important as it will be the foundation of the second grade as a school family. Team building will continue throughout the year, where respect and responsibility will be stressed and expected.

A summer reading list is included online to help you select your books. This is only a guide. Please read daily as this is so important to improve fluency. When time allows read out loud to someone, consider pace and how it sounds to the listener. Online you will also find your grade two supply list. Thank you, in advance, for your donations.

You also have a math packet included in your summer work. You may return this on the first day of school.

In closing, let me know right away if you have a concern, even a small one. I believe that open communication between parents and teacher is important to building a strong home-school partnership. We share a common goal: helping your child develop to his/her potential, be a respectful member of his/her school community and most importantly be given a strong Catholic foundation.

Second grade should be a happy year, filled with lots of learning and fun. Welcome again to my class.

Have a great summer!

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Jody Olson



**St. Pius X School**  
**Grade 2**  
**Summer Reading List**

**Chapter Book Series**

Arthur Chapter Books by Marc Brown  
Beverly Cleary Books  
Cam Jansen Books by David A. Adler  
Horrible Harry Series by Suzy Kline  
Jigsaw Jones Mystery by James Preller  
Junie B. Jones Books by Barbara Park  
Magic Tree House Series by Mary Pope Osborne  
Nate the Great by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat

**Beginning Chapter Books**

Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parish  
Marc Brown's Arthur Chapter Books  
Mr. Putter and Tabby Pick the Pears by Cynthia Rylant  
Mr. Putter and Tabby Walk the Dog by Cynthia Rylant  
Pinky and Rex Books by James Howe  
The Blue Hill Meadows by Cynthia Rylant

**Picture Books**

Jan Brett Books  
Tomie DePaola Books  
Magic School Bus Books  
Miss Nelson Is Back by James Marshall  
Ox-Cartman by Donald Hall  
Patricia Polacco Books  
The Teacher from the Black Lagoon and Other Books by Mike Thaler  
Tikki Tikki Tembo by Arlene Mosel  
Judith Viorst Books



## **Grade Two Supply List** **2010-2011**

### **Personal Supplies**



- (24) pencils, already sharpened
- (1) box of Crayola crayons
- (1) box Markers (Washable)
- (4) Elmer's jumbo glue sticks (small ones do not last)
- (1) pencil box – please label
- (1) “Composition” notebook
- (1) pair of children's scissors
- (1) smock for art (an oversized shirt works – labeled with FULL name and grade)

### **Classroom Donations - We Can Always Use!**



- Kleenex tissues
- Clorox wipes
- Handi-Wipes (Wet Ones)
- Baggies (sandwich, quart, or gallon-sized)
- Paper towels
- Paper goods such as plates, napkins, spoons and cups
- Hand soap
- Pencils (already sharpened)

**THANK YOU!**

