

August 2019

Dear New Second Grader and Parents,

Welcome to second grade and to my classroom! My name is Mrs. Bennett, and I am so happy to introduce myself as your teacher next year! Second grade promises to be a fun year, and I know we are going to learn so much together!

Last year I taught kindergarten at Clark School, so some of you might recognize my name! My family lives here in Amherst and we are so fortunate to be a part of this wonderful community. I have two sons, Zachary and Connor, who will be students at Clark-Wilkins this year. The 2019-2020 school year will be my 13th year teaching. I taught first grade for 7 years, kindergarten for 2 years, and this will be my 4th year teaching second grade!

One of my favorite things about second grade is reading! I love to read, and I hope you do too! In reading, you will have a chance to read “just right” books every day. We will also meet in guided reading groups to read and talk about books together. Writing Workshop is another big part of our day! During this time you will get to choose your own topics and write about stories that have happened to you. You will also learn how to write about opinions you have, as well as how to do research for an informational writing project.

There will be a variety of hands-on activities in math as you learn new concepts, including telling time, money, multiplication, division, and bar models! Hopefully you have continued practicing your addition and subtraction facts over the summer!

Don't forget about science and social studies! Our year will be filled with fun experiments and projects.

I do check my email periodically over the summer. and I would love to hear from you. My school email is kbennett@sau39.org

Sincerely,

Mrs.Bennett

See the attached page for a list of supplies I'd like for you to bring to start our year.

Mrs. Bennett's Supply List

Each student will need the following supplies labeled with their name:

- 2 two pocket folders WITHOUT brads/prongs
- 1 hard-backed marble composition notebook
- 1 spiral notebook (8.5x10 inch, one subject)

The following supplies will be collected and used as community supplies. Please **do not** label these supplies with your child's name.

- 24 pack of Crayola Crayons
- 10 pack of Crayola Markers
- 12 pack of Crayola Twistable colored pencils
- 1 pair of kids scissors
- 3 Large Elmers Glue Sticks
- 1 box of Dixon Ticonderoga Pencils
- 1 white 1 inch three ring binder with front protector
- Dry erase markers and eraser
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 roll of paper towels

Thank you!! 😊