

2nd Grade Summer Readiness

Reading/Writing:

Set aside at least 20 minutes each day for your child to read on their own.

Have your child start to read chapter books and interesting non-fiction books with longer passages. Students entering the 2nd grade at Cascadia are typically reading at between level N and T. For levelled book ideas, visit this link:

<https://www.the-best-childrens-books.org/guided-reading-levels.html>.

Ask your child to describe the setting and plot, identify feelings and wants, and tell you some interesting facts they learn from books. Encourage curiosity and reflection over speed and memorization.

Math and Number Sense:

Help your child identify place value up to 7 digits (to 1 million)

Use real-life situations to familiarize your child with basic multiplication facts

Practice multi-digit addition and subtraction problems with regrouping (carrying/borrowing) up to 4 digits

Use stories to help show your child how to subtract across zeros

Model using rounding and estimation in real-life situations, such as a party or trip planning, to solve problems using mental math

Social/Emotional Learning Practices:

Help your child to recognize and name emotions in self/others

Practice calm-down strategies and expressing strong negative feelings with words rather than by acting out

Develop Independence

Practice tying shoelaces, zipping and buttoning prior to start of school

Teach your child to organize clothing, books, and other items in their room and in shared spaces. Help them to place items in cubbies, notebooks in desk, papers in folders, and trash/recycling in correct bins

Help your child track their belongings, hang up jackets, put away shoes, etc. -- this will help them take responsibility for items that regularly travel between school and home

Have your child's items labeled

Practice regular hand washing, covering mouths with elbow when sneezing or coughing and other health routines