



# Welcome to Second Grade!

Team Duncan

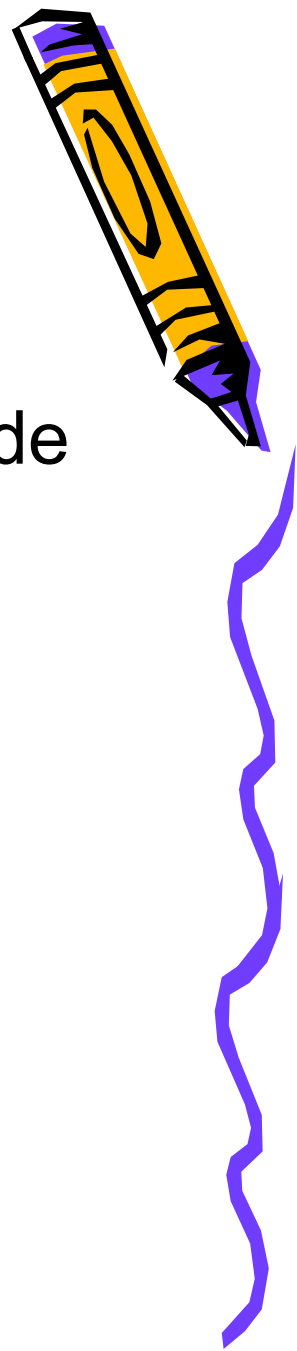
# My Goals



- To motivate students to be curious, active, and confident learners.
- To provide a supportive and engaging classroom environment where students feel valued and respected.
- To encourage responsibility and independence.
- To build a strong and caring classroom community.



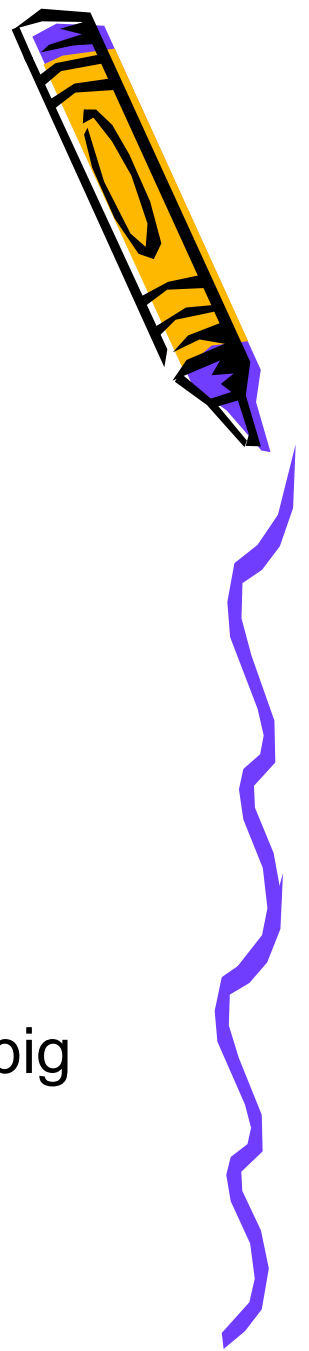
# Class Subjects



- The subjects we cover during second grade are:
  - Reading
  - Writing
  - Phonics
  - Math
  - Science
  - Social Studies



# Specials Schedule



- Monday = Music
- Tuesday = PE (Gym)
- Wednesday = Computers
- Thursday = Art \*\*
- Friday = Spanish and PE (Gym)
- \*\* Please have your child bring in an art smock (big t-shirt) to wear during Art class.



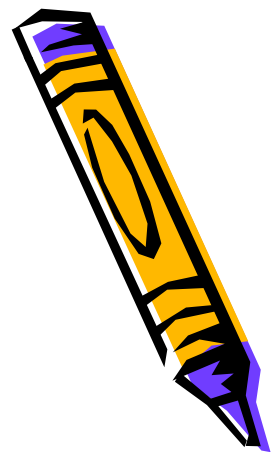
# Reader's Workshop

## Units of Study:

- Second Grade Reading Growth Spurt: Reading Fiction
- Becoming Experts: Reading Nonfiction
- Reading and Role Playing: Fiction, Folktales and Fairy Tales
- Bigger Books Mean Amping Up Reading Power
- Readers Can Read about Science Topics to Become Experts
- Series Book Clubs
- A Celebration of Reading: My Favorite Genres, Series and Authors

### **Reading Workshop includes:**

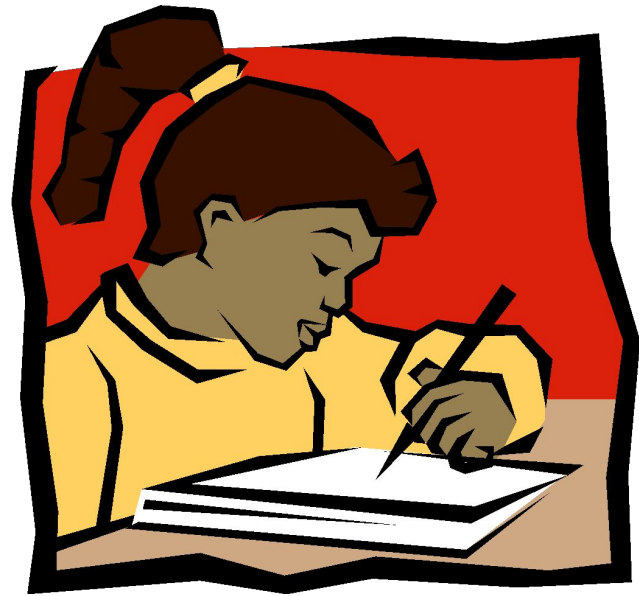
- A daily mini-lesson followed by active engagement.
- Teacher conferences to target individual growth objectives.
- Small Group - book clubs
- Daily 5: Read to Self, Read to Someone, Listen to Reading, Word Work, Work on Writing



# Writer's Workshop

## Units of Study:

- Lessons from the Masters: Improving Narrative Craft
- Non-fiction Informational Writing (If...Then)
- Writing About Reading
- Poetry: Powerful Thoughts in Tiny Packages
- Informational Writing: Lab Reports and Science Books
- Opinion Writing Using Persuasive Reviews
- Celebrating Writing Across Genres



# Phonics



## Units of Study:

- Growing into Second-Grade Phonics
- Big Words Take Big Resolve: Tackling Multisyllabic Words
- Powerful Patterns: Usings Rimes and Rhyming to Build Fluency
- Word Builders: Construction, Demolition, and Vowel Power
- Word Collectors
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- Tackling Troublemakers, Once and for All
- Yes, They Can: Exploring Parts of Speech



# Math Units:

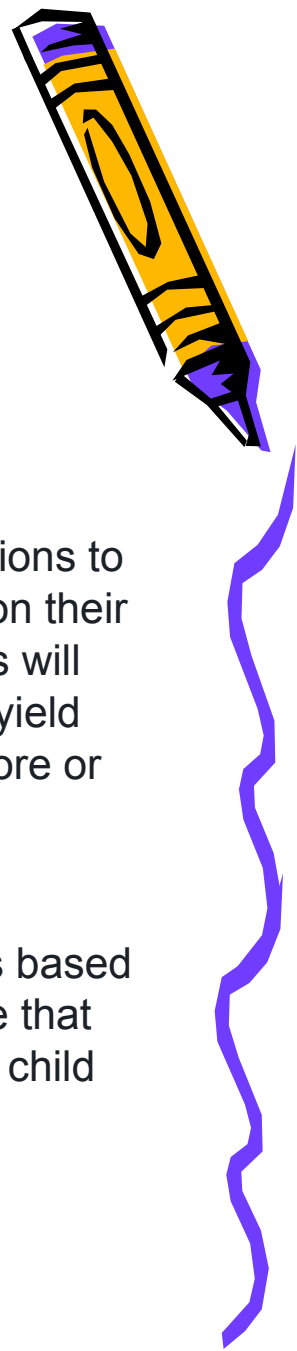


- Numbers Within 20: Addition, Subtraction, and Data
- Numbers Within 100: Addition, Subtraction, and Money
- Numbers Within 1,000: Place Value, Addition and Subtraction
- Length: Measurement, Addition and Subtraction, and Line Plots
- Shapes and Arrays: Partitioning and Tiling Shapes, Arrays, Evens and Odds





# i-Ready (Diagnostic Assessment and Instruction)



- <http://i-readycentral.com>--Family Center
- The ***i-Ready Diagnostic*** is an adaptive assessment that adjusts its questions to suit your child's needs. Each item a student sees is individualized based on their answer to the previous question. For example, a series of correct answers will result in slightly harder questions, while a series of incorrect answers will yield slightly easier questions. The purpose of this is not to give your child a score or grade, but instead to determine how best to support your child's learning.
  - Diagnostics will be given in October, March, and June
- ***i-Ready Instruction***: *i-Ready Instruction* provides students with lessons based on their individual skill level and needs, so your child can learn at a pace that is just right for them. These lessons are fun and interactive to keep your child engaged as they learn.



# Ready Classroom Mathematics - iReady

- Is a research-based program.
- Provides a balance of conceptual understanding, procedural fluency, and application.
- Develops a classroom environment ***that promotes mathematical reasoning and discourse.***
- Promotes a gradual-release model that helps students build on previous knowledge, explore multiple approaches to solving problems, and strengthen critical thinking and reasoning skills.



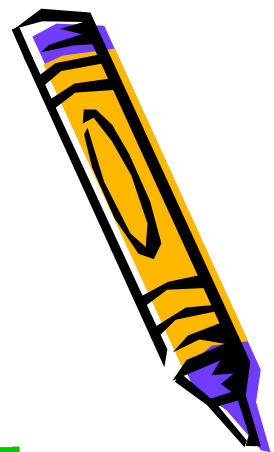
# Ready Classroom Mathematics at Home

- Practice/Homework may be an activity or online instruction.
  - - Practice/Homework could be a fluency practice or game.
  - - Homework nightly.



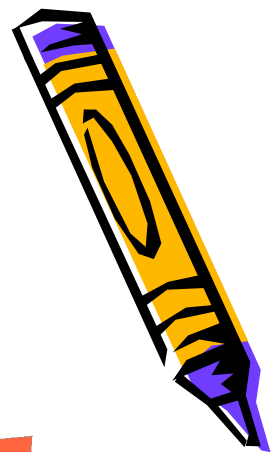
# Science

- Solids & Liquids
- Pebbles, Sand and Silt
- Insects & Plants



# Social Studies

- Governing the People
- The World Around Us
- Using Our Resources
- People Long Ago
- A World of Many People
- People in the Marketplace



# Homework



- Expect about 20 minutes of homework every night.
- Math Homework will either be a worksheet, Fact Fluency Practice or an iReady Path lesson.
- **Please sign and return all assessments as well as the daily Agenda book.**



# Other Classroom Procedures

- Breakfast/Snack - Daily at 9:35
- Bathroom Breaks and Handwashing
- Becoming proficient on student laptops:
  - - know how to access our Google Classroom and toggle from the Stream page to the Classwork page.
  - - know how to complete an assignment posted in the Google Classroom/Classwork page and turn it in
  - - know their student ID and Password



# Miscellaneous Items

- Birthday Party Invitations
- Trading Cards / Collectibles
- Electronic Devices / Cell Phones
- Money





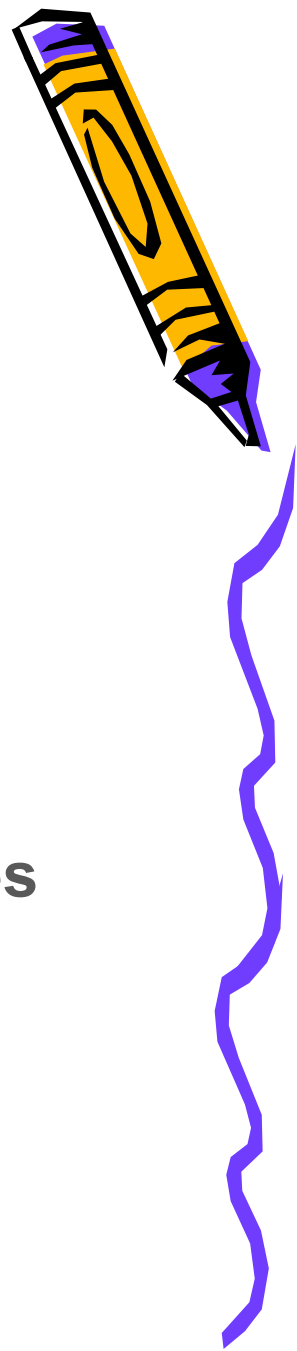
# Volunteers



- Homeroom Parents:
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  - - Mrs. Fitzgerald (Emily) / Lilia's Mom
  - - Mrs. Ganderez (Natasha) /  
Alexander's mom
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# School to Home Communication



- Virtual Backpack on the school website - Genesis sends a link every Wednesday
- Twitter: @TBStiger
- Instagram: TBSTigers (this one has an s)
- We are on Facebook - (Search Three Bridges School)
- Student Agenda Books / Teacher e-mail



Let's Have a Great Year!

