



Welcome to 2nd Grade!

The Ins and Outs of Ms. Grazier's Room 107





How to Contact Me!

I believe in ongoing communication between home and school, so please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns throughout the year. Here's how to get in contact with me:

1. Call Me! The best time to reach me is before (7:15-7:25) or after school (2:25-2:45). My phone number is (847) 249-6253 x4107
2. Write Me A Note! I find that this method works best if you let your child know in advance that he/she needs to give me the note as soon as he/she gets to school.
3. E-Mail Me! This is the best way to reach me! I check my e-mail often throughout the day, so this is a great way if you need to give me an urgent message or need a quick response back. My email is rgrazier@d56.org
4. Seesaw App! (2nd best way to reach me!) We will use the Messages feature in Seesaw this year. I can send out reminders to your cell phones, and you can text me back as well. Use this QR code to sign up to our class:



The "Take Home" Folder

RTS is providing a red plastic folder that we call a Take Home folder. Please take the time to read over any information that comes home in the folder. The Take Home folder is a vital link between home and school. Communication from both RTS and myself will be transported

home in this folder as well as any homework. Likewise, any communication from home should be sent to school in this folder, as students will check them each morning. Please help your child to remember to bring their Take Home folder to school every day, and to empty it at home each evening! Please note that for organizational purposes a majority of classwork will be going home on Fridays.



Homework

In order to extend the learning that occurs in the classroom, students will typically have a Superkids Backpack page, nightly reading, and a math worksheet. Students will be using a paper homework calendar to keep track of their assignments. Any homework they have will be listed in there, as well as upcoming events. Please check this sheet each night with your child. I hope this will help everyone stay informed as to what needs to be handed in and when it is due.



iPads

The main purpose of the iPads is for students to connect to the teacher and other students, as well as to complete schoolwork. Please read the iPad contract for more information on student expectations.

iPads are a privilege and need to be used appropriately. While they are at home, please monitor the use and content of the iPad as you see appropriate, and please make sure they come to school charged each day.

Snacks and Water Bottles



Our school day will include time for the students to eat a light snack in the afternoon (we have an early lunch). Please send a healthy, easy to eat snack (fruit, cut up vegetables, string cheese, popcorn, granola bar, etc.) in their lunch boxes. If the snack requires a spoon or fork, please pack that as well.

Students can bring a water bottle filled with water only to keep at their cubby during the day (be sure to label it with your student's first/last name).

Thank you for helping to get your child energized for some high-powered learning all day long!!!



Birthdays!

If you'd like to bring in a birthday treat, please follow our snack policy. We are not allowed to have cupcakes or candy. You may also send in a non edible treat for the class like pencils as well. We are not doing goodie bags for birthdays. Students with summer birthdays will be celebrated toward the end of the year. We have 19 children in our class at this time.

If you choose not to bring in a birthday treat, that is ok! We will still celebrate your child's birthday in the classroom by making the bday boy/girl feel special and singing Happy Birthday to him/her.

Also, out of fairness, students are only allowed to pass out birthday invitations if the entire class is invited. If you are not inviting all classmates, please find a time outside of school for invites.

Gotcha
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Respectful Responsible Productive Safe

Our Classroom Climate

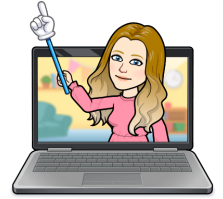
RTS is a PBIS school, and we live by the 4 B's in our classroom: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Productive, Be Safe. Our classroom also utilizes the school-wide Gotcha

system to reward good behavior, but with a classroom twist.

Students will have a Gotcha envelope in their desk. Every Gotcha they earn from me (Ms. Grazier) will go into their desk envelope during the week. They can earn a Gotcha by showing the 4 B rules at any point during the day. All the Gotchas everyone earned from the week will go into a weekly class drawing. Students' names pulled from the drawing can pick a class reward coupon of their choice. Some examples of coupons (but not limited to) are sitting in comfy chair, choosing the read aloud, and pj day.

After the drawing, all Gotchas will go into our classroom fishbowl along with the Gotchas students receive from other teachers, and we start all over again the following week. More specific information about our classroom behavior is located in the behavior contract.

Our Weekly Specials Schedule



A DAY: STEM - 8:30-9:25

PE - 11:30 - 11:55

B DAY: Art - 8:30 - 9:25

PE - 11:30 - 11:55

C DAY: Music - 9:00 - 9:30

PE - 11:30 - 11:55

D DAY: Music - 9:00 - 9:30

PE - 11:30 - 11:55

E DAY: Library - 8:30-9:25

PE - 11:30 - 11:55

OUR DAILY RECESS/LUNCH TIME IS 10:10A-10:55A