



Welcome to Mrs. Krahn's Grade 2 class!

Welcome back! My name is Mrs. Michelle Krahn and I am very excited to be your child's teacher for the year. I hope you and your family had a relaxing and fun-filled summer. I would like to take this opportunity to fill you in on some of the routines that will be a part of your child's grade 2 year. Your child will greatly benefit from these routines, and as such, I encourage you and your child to participate as wholeheartedly as possible in them. I look forward to working together with you to ensure your child has a successful year!

***Please note that this will be the only paper copy of our class newsletter that will be sent home this year; all future class and school newsletters will be posted on our school website.**

Meet the Teacher Night: Meet the Teacher Night will be on Wednesday, September 13 at 6:00 p.m. I look forward to seeing there!

Agenda: Your child will be bringing home an agenda everyday. This agenda needs to be brought back to school **daily**. Please check their agenda nightly and initial that you have read it. I will be using it to send any notes to you, and encourage you to do the same. The agenda will be sent home in your child's Kanga pouch (or a Ziploc bag) to ensure it stays in "good shape." When we start our home reading program, I will attach a monthly log sheet on the front inside cover of the agenda so that reading can be recorded.

Student of the Week: Each Friday a different student will be chosen randomly to be our student of the week. Your child will bring home a paper bag with a message attached. Please help your child “fill the bag” with items they want to share about themselves and bring it back to school with them on Monday. Also, your child will bring home a sheet to fill out. Please help your child fill this out as they will share the information on it and it will be posted in our room. I would like to encourage you to send some pictures of your child and your family that can be posted, and **no more** than 5 “Show and Share” items. If an item does not fit in the bag, please touch base with me before sending it to school.

Schedule: All subjects will be taught by me with the following exceptions:

Phys-Ed : Ms. Parchoma, Mrs. Milner, Mrs. Watkins and Mrs. Scott (all the grade two’s will be together during this time) (Day 1, 2 and 3)

Library: Mrs. Wurban (Day 3)

*** Please ensure that your child has brought back their library books on this day.**

Music: Mrs. Larson (Day 4 and 5)

Home Reading: Your child needs to read at home on a regular basis in order to continue to improve their reading skills. We will be starting a Home Reading Program at the beginning of October. A note explaining the program will be sent home at that time.

Journals: Each Friday your child will write to you in their Journal. You will be required to **write back** to your child, and **send the Journal back with them on Monday**. We will not be starting this activity until later this month. More information will be sent home at that time.

Birthdays: We do not have birthday celebrations in class; however, you are welcome to bring in a treat for your child’s classmates if you wish. A good time to share a treat is morning recess (10:25 AM.) If your child had a

birthday in July or August, you are welcome to choose a day in September to celebrate. Please ensure that all foods are **nut-free**.

Lunch and Recess: Your child's lunch hour is from 12:00-12:20 each day. There is a microwave in our classroom, however, please only send in pre-cooked food items that will take no longer than one minute to re-heat; this will ensure that your child and their classmates have enough time to eat their lunch. Please also send a healthy snack for your child to have at their first recess break.

Student Information Sheet: I have attached a student information sheet. **Please complete and return this sheet by the end of the week.**

Other: If your child has indoor or outdoor shoes that have shoelaces on them, **they are required to be able to tie them by themselves by the end of September**, or a new pair of shoes will be requested. If your child is struggling to tie their shoes on their own, please practice with them at home.

We also have several students in our hallway who are **SEVERELY** allergic to nuts. Please ensure that you do not send **ANYTHING** in your child's lunch that contains nuts!

Thank you so much for your cooperation. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to give me a call at the school (780) 986-7888), send a note in the agenda, or email me at michelle.krahn@gshare.blackgold.ca. I look forward to working with you and your child this year.



Sincerely,
Mrs. Michelle Krahn