

Suggested Activities to Work on at Home

In 2nd grade, we do not have weekly homework that is required. However, it is suggested that students work on some activities at home to help them to continue to make progress throughout the year. I have listed some optional activities below for students to complete at home each night/week.

Reading

It is very important for students to practice reading, not only at school, but also at home. Research shows that students who read at least 20 minutes each night will do better on state testing, have a stronger vocabulary, and have a more successful school career overall. It is suggested that students read for at least 20 minutes each night. It is important that students choose books, magazines, websites, poetry, etc. that they enjoy. This will help them build a love for reading and become a lifelong reader!

Math

In class we use the reflexmath.com website to practice math facts. Once students get used to the routine of working on this site, I will send home log-in information so students can practice their math facts at home using the Reflex Math website.

Spelling

Each week students will have a spelling test on the last day of the week, typically Friday (will start the week of Sept. 9th). We will be studying a different pattern or patterns each week in class. I will send home a “Word Bank” the Friday prior to studying it in class each week. The word bank lists words that follow the patterns we will be working on for that week. These words will also be the ones I choose from for our spelling test at the end of the week. The spelling test each week will consist of 10 words from the “Word Bank” and 3 sight words. It is suggested for students to practice the spelling patterns at home for the week in order to prepare for our test at the end of each week. Students can do this in whichever way they choose, but should focus on the words in the “Word Bank” in order to practice the patterns for the week. I have copied some ideas onto the back of this paper that students may choose to use as they practice at home.