

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Homework

Homework is a way to reinforce classroom learning and to provide opportunities to teach students personal responsibility for that learning. Establishing good homework habits now will help your child throughout the rest of their academic career.

Homework is reinforcement or practice for a concept or skill previously learned in class. It should take approximately 20-30 minutes to complete, give or take, depending on each individual student.

Homework will be sent home on Monday of each week and is due back by Friday of the same week. Homework consists of reading, spelling and math.

## **Reading:**

- Students are expected to read at least **10 minutes** each night. Students are to complete the reading log to show their reading and get an adult's signature to verify their reading time. The log is turned in at the end of the week. Please let me know if you need me to send some books home with your child and we can figure out a book sign-out system.

## **Spelling:**

- Each Monday in class students receive a new word sort. The sort has them practice a certain spelling pattern/rule. For homework, students will practice with words containing that spelling pattern, but will be tested on different words (this is to see if they can apply the skills they have learned).
- Students must complete **three** assignments (from a tic-tac-toe board) a week. Students can choose which "path" to take in order to make three in a row. All three assignments are due on Friday.

## **Math:**

- Included in the weekly homework packet will be some math worksheets or games. These activities reinforce math topics that were learned the previous week.

If you have any questions at all, please contact me.

# Montgomery Elementary K-2 Homework Policy

**This letter explains the homework policy for Montgomery Elementary School. Please read the policy with you child so that you understand the expectations of students and parents with regard to homework. Following these guidelines can help decrease tension associated with homework and increase your child's learning.**

For your child to be successful with homework he/she needs:

**A place to do homework.** If possible, your child should do his homework in the same place (an uncluttered, quiet place to work).

**A schedule for completing homework.** Set a homework schedule that fits in with each week's particular activities.

**Understanding of the knowledge.** While your child is reading, you might ask them questions to check for word meaning and comprehension.

**Reasonable time expectations.** Your child should be practicing academic at least 10-15 additional minutes outside of school (as a part of their homework). At the beginning of the school year you may be reading to your child, but as soon as possible your child can begin to share the reading. Our goal is for them to read independently.

**Accountability.** While homework is not graded, it is an important way for students to practice a skill learned in the classroom. There is a direct link between extra practice at home and success in school.

**All homework should be done neatly and in pencil, and returned to school in the Communication Folder if indicated.**

**\*\*\*\*\*Please sign and return after reading over the homework policies\*\*\*\*\***

**Homework Policy Acknowledgement Form**

Return this form with the appropriate signatures, acknowledging that you have read and discussed the policy with your child. If you have any questions about the homework expectations, please contact me.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent (or Guardian) Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature