

# August 30, 2013

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## IMPORTANT DATES

<u>September 2</u>: No School

<u>September 5:</u> Fall Picture Day

<u>September 6:</u> Fall Fundraiser Begins

<u>September 10:</u> Get the Scoop Night at 6:00

<u>September 20:</u> Fall Fundraiser Ends

### Team Ronzio's Promise:

- "As Team Ronzio we PROMISE to always:
- \*Come to school ready to learn and have fun
- \* Listen and follow directions the first time
- \*Set and achieve high goals, try our best, and never give up
- \*Be safe kind, helpful, respectful, and responsible
- \*Work together as a team!"

# Information and Events



- \* These two weeks have flown by! The second graders and I have had a blast getting to know each other through various games and activities. I am looking forward to a wonderful year! I will be sending this official class newsletter home every week. In this newsletter you will find upcoming dates of importance, information about curriculum from the week and any other topics that arise. Please be sure to read the newsletter each week and place the important dates on your calendars.
- \* If you pick your child up from school, you may have noticed a difference in our dismissal routine. We are able to save instructional time by dismissing as a grade level this year. Two 2nd grade teachers escort bus riders, two 2nd grade teachers escort car riders, and one 2nd grade teacher escorts Adventure Club. These changes make it difficult to accommodate last minute changes in dismissal plans. Please make sure the office is aware of any changes before 2:30.
- \* Please mark your calendars for our **Get the Scoop Night** on September 10. This will be a chance for you to learn about second grade curriculum, learn about our classroom routines, and ask any questions you have. If you are a former Paxton family, this is taking the place of Parent Preview night.
- \* Homework will start mid-September and will come home Monday-Thursday. Please discuss/help with this routine and initial your child's log. Homework should be completed in pencil. More about homework on September 10th!
- \* All students in Columbia Public Schools will have the same folder for their Friday Folder (although the color may be different). I will complete the checklist and make teacher comments every week. Please initial the folder every week and be sure to remove all papers in the side pocket. Parent comments are always welcome! Folders should be returned on Monday, if at all possible.

### WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING

- \* Throughout the past two weeks we have spent a great deal of our academic time getting to know each other as well as establishing and practicing our classroom routines and Paxton Keeley's High Five expectations.
- \* We have read books, played games, and completed a wide variety of getting to know you activities. Ask your child to tell you about what we have done.



## ACADEMICS



- Below are the units we will be focusing on throughout the next couple of weeks.
- \* <u>Science</u>: Organs of the Human Body
- \* <u>Math</u>: Addition and Subtraction strateaies
- \* Writing: Personal Narratives
- \* Reading: Learning how to pick "just right books," as well as building our independent reading stamina