

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Second Grade Parents,

Today your child participated in Move Up Day at school. This day is designed to introduce your child to an unfamiliar environment in an effort to reduce anxiety about moving into a new grade band. Your child moved with his or her current classmates, so this may not be his or her new teacher, room, or class community.

Moving from second grade to third grade is often eye-opening for students and families. Third grade is more rigorous than second grade with more responsibility shifted from the teachers to the students.

*Here is a short list of expectations for next fall:*

- Daily Word Work (spelling) homework
- Math homework 3-4 times a week
- Math review packets each week
- Keyboarding 2-3 times a week (at school)
- No centers
- No morning recess

*Skills sets your child should have already:*

- Mastery of addition and subtraction facts by end of second grade
- Print handwriting proficiency by the end of second grade
- Able to write on wide ruled notebook paper
- Telling time to fifteen minute intervals
- Tying shoes

If you find that your child is weak in any of these areas, we encourage you to work with your child to catch him or her up.

Attached is a Summer Bingo game that your child should complete and return the first day of school. Also we have included a list of academic resources for you to consider for summer fun and academic growth.

We look forward to spending the next two years with your child.

Happy Summer,

Third and Fourth Grade Teachers

Ms. Hahn

Ms. Kroll

Mrs. Larson

# Summer Resources

## Here is a list of enrichment ideas

- <http://www.grps.org/grasp> This is an at home summer school program. You send in a weekly assignment to be graded.
- Check your local library for summer reading programs.
- Workbook, Summer Bridge Activities 2nd to 3rd Grade
- Visit a National Park
- Practice flashcards to memorize math facts.

## Check out these websites

<http://www.learninggamesforkids.com/>

<http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/>

<http://www.funbrain.com/>

<https://jr.brainpop.com/>

<http://www.sowashco.k12.mn.us/ro/pages/studentlinks/map/>

<http://www.typing.com/>

<http://www.mathplayground.com/>

<http://www.sowashco.k12.mn.us/ro/pages/studentlinks/map/reading.htm>

## Summer Brain Games – Free ticket to Museum of Science and Industry

<http://www.msichicago.org/programs/summer-brain-games>

*From the website:*

Summer Brain Games provides eight weeks of free and fun at-home science experiments designed to combat the "summer brain drain," when kids lose months of critical learning. The free online activity guide features weekly experiments with step-by-step instructions. This year, we'll blast off and explore space with activities that are easily done at home with kids of all ages (and a little adult supervision).