



2nd grade is a fun place to be! We can't wait to have you in our classrooms! Here are some helpful strategies to use this summer to make sure you are prepared for 2nd grade!

Strategies to Become a Fluent Reader

Have your child read to you for 20 minutes per day. Here are some suggestions for a summer reading series: Henry and Mudge, Frog and Toad, Magic Tree House, and A-Z Mysteries.

Before Reading

Predict what the book is about from the title. Set a purpose for reading. Ex. I am going to read this book because I want to learn more about animals. Take a picture walk through the book. Ask, What is happening in the pictures?

During Reading

- **Visualize** - make a movie in your head just like you do when listening to a story.
- **Question** - think about the story, asking yourself who, what, when, where, why, how.
- **Clarify** - understand new words - figure out words using print strategies
- **Make predictions** - "What happens next?"
- **Make connections** - What other story is like this one?

After Reading

- **React** - What did you think of the story?
- **Summarize** - What was most important in the story?

Maintaining Math Skills

Count by 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's to 200.

Classify odd and even numbers.

Tell time to the hour and half-hour

Count collections of pennies, nickels, dimes to \$1.00 Use a calendar to determine date of a future event. Add and subtract single and double digit numbers.

Determine missing addends. Generate fact families.

Use a calendar to determine date.

Dolch Sight Words

Please practice the list of sight words on index cards and know these when you return from summer:

after
again
an
any
as
ask
by
could
every
fly
from
give
going
had
has
her
him
his
how
just
know

let
live
may
of
old
once
open
over
put
round
some
stop
take
thank
them
then
think
walk
were
when