Dear Second Grade Families,

Welcome to a new school year! I hope that this letter finds you well rested and eager for the year to begin. This is going to be a wonderful year! I am looking forward to meeting you as we work together to make this year a successful and rewarding experience for your child.

In an attempt to "go green" and communicate openly with you, I will be posting newsletters and other important information on our classroom blog. You can reach the blog at mrswilsonssuperstars.weebly.com You will feel like you are a part of all the fun if you check the blog often enough!

Specials

Wednesday: Music -Ms. Waddell requests athletic shoes as well, to encouragement movement and dancing!

Thursday: <u>Library</u>: Kids will check out books from Mr. Casey and return them each week.

Friday: P.E. - Mr. Pertuit asks that you please remember good athletic shoes and ladies may want to avoid skirts/dresses.

Other: Computer Lab/iPad lab days will be scheduled soon!

The first few weeks are very important to establish routines, procedures, and schedule. Therefore, I ask that volunteers allow us to learn our way around the school day and our curriculum before offering their precious time! There will be many ways to help in our room, and I look forward to working with those of you who can stop in from time to time!

We love birthdays in second grade! When planning birthday treats, please be mindful that Arrowhead is a **nut-free** school. The safety of our students is paramount. Please feel free to bring treats on your child's birthday or set up a different day with me. There are 22 students in our classroom. Summer birthdays are free to celebrate their "half birthday" or just pick a day to celebrate! Please remember that party invitations cannot be passed out at school unless the entire class is invited – this alleviates hurt feelings. Purchase a PTA Directory for a list of addresses!

I have found that the children are "starving" by mid-morning, and a little pick-me-up seems to help them focus until lunch. I ask that children bring in a *personal, individual* snack to enjoy. Please help your child make a healthy choice by packing a nutritious option like fruit, veggies, cheese, yogurt, etc.

Every Tuesday, your child will bring home a Tuesday Envelope (imagine that!). Inside, you will find student work from the previous week, notes from me, PTA notices and much more! Please look carefully through the folder and return the folder to school the next day with your child along with any papers that need to be returned. It is very important that you check the folder each Tuesday to be up to date and informed.

In yesterday's folder, there was a packet of papers that NEED TO BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL ASAP. Please go through them, update any necessary paperwork and return to school as soon as possible. We appreciate your help keeping our records current!

Again, I want you to know how excited I am to work with your child this year. I look forward to learning with them and growing with them in the coming school year. If you have any questions, concerns, or just want to chat, please email me at wilsonja@billingsschools.org or call me at 281-6386 or the main office at 281-6201.

Thank you!