

June, 2017

Dear Boys and Girls,

I hope you enjoy your summer vacation and are ready return to school ready to learn in September! My name is Mrs. Cullen and I will be your second grade teacher. I live in Chittenango with my husband. I have three children. Mark and Casey live in Chittenango. My oldest son Tim is married and he lives in Camillus. I also have a little dog named Murphy. I love to garden, read, travel and shop! I can't wait to meet you and find out what kinds of things you like to do!

We will be doing many great things in second grade. In language arts we will be exploring many different themes. Some of the themes we will be studying are: friends, bats, holiday traditions around the world and biographies. In math we will continue working with Math Investigations and learn new ways to add and subtract. In science, we will study states of matter, erosion and life cycles of plants and animals. In social studies we study urban, rural and suburban communities. We will learn about farm life and learn how to make maple syrup.

In second grade each of you will have your own store of supplies . On the back you will find a list of many items that you will need for the whole school year. At this time of the year, all the supplies are on sale and easy to find, so I have asked for multiples of many items. They will be placed in the shoe box with your name on it. This box is different from your pencil box. It will store all your extra supplies for the year on a shelf. This will be your personal little store, so when you need new crayons or a pencil, we can go right to your box and get it. Please write your name on each of your items, so as not to confuse them with someone else's.

Rest up and enjoy your summer and remember to read, read, read! I look forward to seeing you soon!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Cullen

## Second Grade Supply List: Cullen

### **Non Replaceable Supplies**

- 1 child size backpack (large enough to hold folders and other materials)
- 1 art smock (an old shirt will do)
- 1 pair of scissors (good metal scissors to last and cut all year)
- 3 spiral notebooks
- 1 blue folder, 1 green folder
- 1 pencil box (the 8 inch by 5 inch size)
- 2 pencil sharpeners with covers to catch the shavings

### **Store Box Supplies**

- 1 shoe box with the top labeled with child's name
- 3 boxes of 24 crayons
- 2 boxes of colored pencils
- 5 large or 10 small glue sticks (prefer white)
- 3 dozen pencils - #2 wood without plastic wrap (The plastic is hard on the pencil sharpener)
- 1 - 4oz bottle of school glue
- 2-3 rectangular erasers
- sports top water bottle

### **Classroom Wish List**

- 2 boxes of kleenex
- Boxes of large and small zip lock plastic bags

I will supply a plastic take home folder. The children will be responsible to take it home each day and return it to school the next day. I depend on it for home-school communication.

**\*\* Your child will not need a three ring binder or loose leaf paper this year. I truly appreciate your support.**