

August 10, 2010

Dear \_\_\_\_\_ and Family,

I hope that you are enjoying your summer and finding time to have fun and be outside. I have had a busy summer taking a class at St. Michael's College, going to baseball games in Nebraska, traveling to Washington, and getting ready for the upcoming school year. As much as I love summer vacation I am eager to start the new school year and I am looking forward to being with you in a few weeks!

I have been planning fun and exciting projects, activities, and field trips that will connect with what we learn about in Science and Social Studies. Some of the units will be about animals and the night sky. These are just a few things to look forward to in second grade.

Before school starts, there is an important date to mark on your calendar. On August 31st it is Open Visit Day at Summit Street School from 1:00-3:00 p.m. This will give you the chance to see me again and for some of you the opportunity to meet me for the first time. Open Visit Day is for students and families to come and visit the classroom as well as ask any questions that you may have.

There is one assignment that I have for you to be thinking about before school starts! As part of building community within the classroom we will be learning about the different reading tastes that each student brings to the classroom. Some of us like books about history or other countries while some of us may enjoy a mystery or a book by a certain author. I am interested in learning about what your favorite book is and I want your classmates to know that as well. You will be surprised at how many different reading tastes there are in second grade. With that being said, I want you to think about what your favorite book is and in the first week of school I would like you to bring in that book from home or the library or if you know what it is but cannot find it, simply write it down and bring that into school. The important thing is that we can all learn something new about one another.

Included with this letter are two important papers. One is the schedule for specials this year so that you know when you should bring sneakers to school or anything else that you might need for that special. The other is a questionnaire for parents or guardians to fill-out so that I can make your second grade year successful, enjoyable, and just right for you. The questionnaire can be returned to me in the first week of school

With all that said, I hope that you have a great rest of the summer and I will see you in September!






Take care,

Ms. Turcot








This is a lighthouse in Port Townsend, Washington.

## Specials Schedule for Ms. Turcot's Second Grade Class

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Art 9:15-10:00</p> 	<p>P.E. 9:15-10:00</p> 	<p>Music 9:15-10:00</p> 	<p>Music 9:30-10:15</p> 	<p>P.E. 9:15-10:00</p> 

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## Questionnaire

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

What are your hopes and goals for your child's academic learning and social development this year?

What do you feel are your child's strengths academically and socially?

What do you feel are your child's weaknesses academically and socially?

How do you think your child learns best?

Is there any important information that you would like to share with me?