

**Birthdays**

Please try to let me know at least a day or two in advance if you would like to bring birthday treats to the classroom. We will celebrate summer birthdays at the end of the year. We are a peanut free school, so please NO product with any kinds of nuts or peanut oil. I would be happy to pass out birthday invitations if there is one for EVERY boy/girl in the class. If you are only inviting a few children, please mail the invitations. Feelings are easily hurt when someone is excluded.

There are several ways to contact me. You can email me @ dhansel@usd263.org. I do try to check my email regularly throughout the day. You may call me at school- 777-0151, ext. 304. If you call during class time you will get my voicemail. You can also speak to the secretaries in the office and they will take a message and I will get it during my plan time. Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have questions or concerns. You may also write me a note and put in your child’s take-home folder. I will email a weekly newsletter at the beginning of the week.

**Take Home Folder**

Your child will bring home a daily folder. This folder will be used throughout the year. Please check for this folder daily. Your child will be responsible for putting all papers, notes, and their Daily reading homework/monthly sheet into their folder at the end of the day. Students need to return the folder to school each day. Homework, notes, and lunch money can be returned in the folder. This folder can help keep ommunication open and make papers easier to find.

Please make sure that your child wears tennis shoes on our PE days. We will be checking out library books every week. Please make sure to return your child’s library book by his/ her library day. Please remember to keep your child’s library book in a safe place.

Monday- Music

Tuesday- PE

Wednesday- Library & Art

Thursday- Music

Friday- P.E.

**Specials**

Mrs. Hansel’s

2nd Grade Class

Munson Primary

Mulvane, KS

777-0151

dhansel@usd263.org

**Communication**



We go outside for recess whenever possible. Please make sure your child wears clothing that is appropriate for the weather. Coats, gloves and hats are very helpful in the fall and winter.

**Recess**

**Reading**- Our reading curriculum is Scott Forseman Reading Street.

**Math**- This year we have a new math curriculum. We will be using Go Math.

**Phonics**- We use the Pathways to Reading Phonemic Awareness program. We review all of the vowel sounds in “vowel town”. A chart of our vowel town and the sounds will come home soon. We will also work on segmenting and blending sounds, tricky endings, and multisyllable words. Our spelling words come from our phonics program.

**Science**- Our science curriculum is from McGraw/Hill. We will explore Life, Physical, and Earth science throughout the year.

**Social Studies**- We will explore each of the strands: Economics, History, Geography, and Government.

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Handwriting- We use the

Zaner –Bloser handwriting workbook.

Lion’s Quest- This is our character education curriculum. The topics covered in 2nd grade are; Building a School Community, Growing as a Group, Making Positive Decisions, Growing up Drug Free, and Celebrating You and Me.

**Behavior/ Discipline**

Our school is using the Responsibility- Centered Disciplined program. It includes a five-step guided private conversation between student and teacher when undesirable behaviors occur. Staff will help students take responsibility for their choices and decide what to do differently next time. Students may be asked to complete a “Think Sheet”. This program allows us to build relationships with students while we model respect and encourage responsibility. We also use a B.I.R. (Behavior incident report). These reports will be used to record all major and some minor behaviors that occur at school. The major behavior BIR ‘s will go to Mrs. Waltrip and a copy will be sent home.

Our lunch time is at 12:20 this year. We will have a mid-morning snack to help hold the students over until lunch. Please send an individualized healthy snack everyday with your child to have.

**Snacks**