

Welcome to Room 104!

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Dear Families,

First of all, I hope you had a wonderful summer vacation and welcome back to school! I am so excited to begin our year together and I am looking forward to working with each and every one of your children! (I've heard nothing but amazing things!!)

I know many of you have been a part of the SJA community for many years and are seasoned in the routines of the school. But, to start of the year, here are a few reminders that relate to our classroom:

- Now that we're in 2nd grade we will be going to Mass every Tuesday morning at 8:30 am.
- We will have a snack period every day and each child can bring in his or her own snack. (We are a nut free school, so please keep that in mind when packing!)
- We have Physical Education every Monday & Wednesday.

I will be sending home weekly updates every Monday with reminders, important dates, upcoming events and a summary of what we will be learning about each week.

I wanted to keep this first update short and sweet, but I am looking forward to meeting with all of you on Back to School Night to further go over procedures, curriculum, volunteer opportunities, field trips, homework, and all things Second Grade!

In the meantime, if you would like to get in touch with me please feel free to send an email or note to school inside your child's take-home folder. I will be checking folders every day, as well as my email. If you prefer email, my address is epeters@sjasaints.org.

It's going to be a great year in Second Grade!

Sincerely,
Miss Peters

A Little About Me:

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Emily Peters and this will be my first year teaching second grade. I am originally from New Jersey but attended school in Ohio. I graduated from Miami University with a degree in Early Childhood Education. I am thrilled to begin my year at St. Joan of Arc, and I am so grateful to have, what I think is, the best job in the world!

Upcoming Events and Important Dates:

- Back to School Social, 8/25
- Labor Day, 9/4 - **No School**
- Pizza Day, 9/7
- Back to School Night, 9/7



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Announcements and Reminders

- If you haven't already, when you get the chance please fill out and send back the parent survey.
- A picture day form is coming home with your child today, please fill this out and return by Tuesday, September 12th. (Picture Day will be Wednesday, September 13th.)
- Regarding homework, students will be given math, word work and a reading log to be completed on week nights. I have gone over homework expectations with your children, but I outlined them below for you as well.
- Student's spelling words are sent home with them every Monday, please have them choose and complete one of the word work activities each night. Their spelling test will be every Friday.
- Student's reading logs are being sent home today, they can fill these out themselves and I ask that they return the log at the end of each month.
- We have Physical Education every Monday & Wednesday.

Upcoming Events and Important Dates:

- Labor Day, 9/4 - No School
- Pizza Day, 9/7
- Back to School Night, 9/7
- Picture day, 9/13

What We're Learning This Week:

Reading

- We will be reading *Iris and Walter* and working on our comprehension skills, practicing fluency and improving our oral reading

Spelling

- I am sending home a copy of each student's words today. Please try to practice these words with your child every night!
- Reviewing high frequency words
- **Spelling Test Friday!**

Grammar

- Short Vowel Sounds

Math

- Fluently add and subtract within 20.

Writing

- Start writing workshop and focusing on "small moment" narratives.
- Studying work by Authors and relating it to their own stories.

As always, please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns!

Miss Peters

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- Back to School Night is this upcoming Thursday night at 7pm! I will be giving a presentation during the first half of the night, and the second half will be an open house. I look forward to seeing those of you that will be able to make it!
- If you could please make sure your child comes in with a family photo(s) or send me a photo of your family by email by this Friday (9/8).
- Picture Day will be on Wednesday, September 13th. Please return the picture day form and money by Tuesday the 12th, if you haven't already done so.
- Due to the shortened week there will not be spelling homework or a spelling test this Friday.
- Student's reading logs are being sent home today, they can fill these out themselves and I ask that they return the log at the end of September.

Upcoming Events and Important Dates:

- Pizza Day, 9/7
- Back to School Night, 9/7
- Picture day, 9/13

What We're Learning This Week:

Reading

- We will be reading *Iris and Walter* and working on our comprehension skills, practicing fluency and improving our oral reading

Spelling

- Student's do not have new spelling words this week due to the shortened week.
- In class, we will be focusing on commonly misspelled words.

Social Studies

- We will be starting a unit on Community this week. Focusing on what a community is, and who makes up the community we live in.

Grammar

- Long Vowel Sounds

Math

- Fluently add and subtract within 20.

Writing

- Continuing writing workshop and focusing on "small moment" narratives.

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Miss Peters