

Dear Parents,

08/18/21

Welcome to 2nd Grade! I'm very excited about the school year and look forward to working with you and your child. Below you will find information that will be helpful in answering some of the questions that you may have. I am looking forward to sharing more information with you at Expectation Night on Zoom on Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m., but please feel free to contact me before then with any concerns that you may have. A Zoom link for Expectation Night will be coming home soon.

Our goal at Nelson Prairie School is to keep all children safe. Food allergies are very serious and can be life threatening. We strongly encourage you to send your child with a safe, nut free snack. Your cooperation is very much appreciated in maintaining an allergy aware environment for our students.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Losacco  
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### **P.E.**

On "Green Days", your child will have P.E. In order to participate in P.E., your child will need to wear gym shoes. Your child may leave a pair of gym shoes at school.

### **Music/Art**

Our Music and Art schedules will rotate. Six weeks of Art with Mrs. Kordik will be followed by six weeks of Music with Miss Bendy. Your child will go to Art or Music on "Blue Days".

### **LRC (Library)**

The students will visit the library on Wednesdays at 2:30pm. Books will be due the following Wednesday.

### **Lunch**

Lunches(milk included) need to be preordered. Please contact the school office with any questions that you might have regarding our lunch program.

Milk may be purchased for lunch in the cafeteria on a daily basis.

### **Snack**

Our class will eat lunch at 12:15pm and have a snack break later in the afternoon. Your child is responsible for bringing his/her own snack each day. If you purchased milk for the year for your child, he/she will drink it during snack. If your child did not order milk, he/she may bring a drink from home. I strongly encourage you to send your child with a safe, nut free snack.

### **Money**

When sending money to school, please place it in an envelope that is clearly labeled with your child's name, classroom (room 15), and include what the money is for (field trip, book order, memory book, etc.).

### **Star Student**

An important part of each week is our "Student of the Week". A note will be sent home when your child will be our next "Student of the Week". He/she may bring in pictures or drawings of his/her family, pet(s), favorite food(s), book(s), movie(s), and favorite thing(s) to do.

### **Birthdays**

We will celebrate birthdays in the classroom. At this time, treats of any kind may not be passed out at school.

### **Student Work/Parent Notes**

Your child will bring his/her "take-home" folder home each night. Graded papers, homework, and parent notes will be in this folder, so please remember to empty the folder each night. Any homework should be completed and returned to school the following school day unless otherwise noted. A "T" will be noted at the top of your child's work for any assignment that was completed and/or checked together in class.

### **Daily Routine**

Please send a note to school or call the office if there is ever a change in your child's routine for dismissal.

### **Newsletter**

A weekly newsletter will be posted on my classroom web page to inform you of skills that we will be working on and any special activities for the upcoming week. A weekly newsletter will not be sent home, so please remember to check my web page weekly. If you wish to receive a hard copy of the weekly newsletter please let me know, and I will send it home with your child.

### **Web Page**

You can access the classroom web page from the Nelson Prairie School site. <https://www.nlsd122.org/c/>

From the district page hover your cursor over Schools, Nelson Prairie, Staff, Second Grade, and click on Gina Losacco.

\*\*\*Web updates are coming soon!\*\*\*

Weekly news, spelling lists, vocabulary lists, and sight word lists will be available on the classroom web page.

### **Book Orders**

Scholastic Book Orders will be sent home monthly. Orders can be placed online or you may send your order to school with your child. Checks should be made payable to Scholastic Books.

### **Schedule**

9:15 Attendance/Lunch count/Morning Work  
9:40 ELA  
11:15 Specials (P.E., Music or Art)  
11:45 ELA  
12:15 Lunch/Recess  
12:50 Math  
2:10 Recess  
2:25 Science or Social Studies(2:30-Library on Wednesdays)  
3:00 Snack/Handwriting  
3:35 Dismissal begins

Students will have mask breaks and bathroom breaks throughout the day.