



NOTRE DAME SCHOOL

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Grade 2 Term 1 Newsletter

Dear families,

Welcome to Grade 2! Together, we will explore, discover, and create memories. Let's prepare to start our journey with enthusiasm, a love for learning, and a warm sense of belonging. Here is what we are focusing on in Term 1:

English Language Arts

- I can use proper letter formation to make my writing legible.
- I can write simple sentences using the Super Sentence pattern (who, does what, when or where).
- I can use the UFLI Sound Wall to read and spell words.
- I can recognize the UFLI Heart Words.
- I can make predictions and connections about a story.
- I can use reading strategies to help me read and make it sound like I'm talking.
- I can participate in group discussions by listening to others and sharing my ideas.

Mathematics

- I can count, read, and write numbers from 21 to 50.
- I can use a place-value chart to show numbers up to 50.
- I can show quantities up to 50 as tens and ones.
- I can compare and order numbers to 50.
- I can count forward and backward by 1, 2, and 5 to and from 50.
- I can find the missing numbers in a number pattern.
- I can add and subtract numbers to 50 without and with regrouping using various strategies.

Investigations:

- I can ask questions, make predictions, and use my senses to gather information.
- I can explore with a purpose in mind and use what I learn.
- I can find some evidence and make judgments.
- I can sort animals using their characteristics.

Arts Education (Visual Arts)

- I can follow instructions to create artwork and use others' ideas to improve it.
- I can explore new techniques to create art.

ADST and Careers (integrated throughout each subject)

- I can reflect on how I work by myself and within a group.
- I can generate ideas from my experiences and interests.
- I can identify and appreciate my personal attributes, skills, interests, and accomplishments.
- I can choose tools and materials to construct ideas or products.
- I can recognize the basic skills required in a variety of jobs and in my schoolwork.



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Communication:

- Rather than sending written notes of communication, please communicate using my email (dmountifield@cispg.ca). I check this email several times during the day. Paper notes may get misplaced or forgotten.
- Please view the monthly **Notre Dame School Calendar** for school events such as early dismissals, Spirit Days, and days not in session.
- **SpacesEDU** will be used to share student summative assessments, classroom announcements and reminders, and pictures or videos of classroom activities. Please check your email for **SpacesEDU** invitations for access to this sharing platform.
- Students will be provided with a back and forth folder to protect papers sent home. Please check this plastic folder daily to monitor student progress and receive important school documents.
- Student agendas are used daily to help students prepare for their day. Agendas are not sent home for parent communications.

Important Reminders:

The *Notre Dame Playground Expectations* state that toys are to be left at home. Please ensure toys such as Pokemon cards, stuffed animals, and action figures are not brought to school.

Notre Dame is an **Allergy-Aware School**. Please remind your child not to share food with anyone. In the past, families have brought in treats for special occasions. For these events, please remember to bring treats everyone can enjoy and check in with the classroom teacher beforehand. In grade 2, we have students with dairy and nut allergies. To help keep all students safe, we encourage families to send peanut and nut free alternatives in individual lunches and snacks.

- Students are reminded that snacks and lunch are to be eaten while supervised in the classroom. For safety reasons, such as allergies, we cannot eat recess snacks or lunch on the playground.

Some best practices we do in the school setting to be allergen-aware are:

- Students wash their hands before eating.
- Allergy Alert Signs are at all classroom door entrances.
- Students are not to share food, utensils, or containers.
- Students will only eat the food that they have brought from home.
- Desks are washed twice throughout the day.
- Notre Dame school staff and our family community are aware of allergies through school and classroom newsletters and SpacesEDU.

I wish you all the best in the coming school year!

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