

# WELCOME TO 2nd Grade

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# Parking LOT

- ✓ have questions during the presentation, write it on a post-it note along with your teacher's name
- ✓ Place the post-it on the parking lot chart in the back
- ✓ We will answer all questions in a follow up email that will be sent out to all parents.

# Bridge Point Website

Please visit and get familiar with the Bridge Point website where you will find links to the teacher directory, Booster Club Connection, and other important information.

<http://bpe.eanesisd.net>

Please get out your device and let's give it a try...

# CHECK THE WEEBLY!

- ✓ Weekly letter
- ✓ Important dates/  
Calendar
- ✓ Homework
- ✓ 2nd Grade Policies
- ✓ FIT Information
- ✓ Helpful apps and  
resources

BPE site —> Directory —> teacher's name

# Empowered and Responsible Students

~Sheri Bryant

- At BPE, we believe in building and maintaining positive relationships with students.
- Each student will be treated with respect, caring, empathy, and dignity.
- Equal is not always fair, and fair is not always equal.
- When a student makes an unexpected choice, an opportunity to think about the choice and solve the problem will be provided.
- A child may need to spend time with a teacher, counselor, or administrator to develop a plan. Each time we lovingly provide children the opportunity to build responsibility and problem-solving skills, we increase a child's confidence.

# Morning Assembly

## Monday-Thursday (5-7 min)

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Texas Pledge
- Birthdays
- Life Skill
- Leader of the Pack

## Friday (20 minutes)

- Monday-Thursday Agenda
- Patriotic Song
- Other Celebrations
- Special Announcements (EEF, Booster Club, Special Guests)

We love having parents attend morning assembly, but we have a few favors to ask of you:

- 1) Please enter and exit through the gym/cafeteria.
- 2) Please stand behind 4th grade in the gym, in an effort to keep the aisles clear.

# Attendance

We want all students at Bridge Point to experience success in their learning. This can be accomplished if each child is in attendance on a regular basis. In addition, it is important for students to arrive on time so that valuable instruction can begin positively, without the stress of rushing.

In order to support student attendance, our campus policy is as follows:

- 3 unexcused absences: Phone call from teacher to communicate attendance concerns.
- 7 unexcused/excused absences: Phone call from teacher and/or assistant principal
- 11 absences: Truancy letter sent from assistant principal explaining Texas truancy laws—students must attend at least 90% of the school year in order to promote to the next grade level.

# Absent?

- Send an email to teacher AND [bpeattendance@eanesisd.net](mailto:bpeattendance@eanesisd.net) when your child is absent from school. The email should include:
  - First and last name
  - Date(s) of absence
  - Reason for absence
- Planned absences lasting 3 or more days will require a Family Travel Advance Notification Form. Please submit this form to the office staff at least 5 days prior to the absence.
- After 10:00 am, students are no longer tardy. They are marked absent.



# Arrival

- School hours are 7:40 AM-2:50 PM
- Cafe doors open at 7:10.
- The first bell rings at 7:33 AM and the tardy bell rings at 7:40 AM, signaling the start of Morning Assembly.
- If you are dropping off your children in the morning, please refrain from using the bus lane until 7:30. After 7:30, buses have completed their routes and you are welcome to use those lanes.

# Dismissal

- NO CELL PHONES in active school zones.
- Please stay in your car and display your child's name on the windshield. The template is here for you today!
- For changes after the day has begun, NO MORE YELLOW NOTES! Smart Tag—Sept. 11th!
- Parents MUST enter changes in Smart Tag before 1:50!

# 2nd Grade Daily Schedule

7:50-8:05 Unpack/

Morning Meeting

8:05-9:25 Math

9:20-9:35 Recess

9:35-9:50 Snack/Read

Aloud

9:50-10:35 Language

Arts

10:35-10:50 Fitness

10:50-11:05 Recess

11:05-11:30 Lunch

11:30-12:00 L.A.

12:00-12:45 FIT

12:50-1:40 Specials

1:45-2:45 SS/Science

12:50 Dismissal

# The Workshop Model



- Increases student engagement
- Allows for differentiation
- Creates a student-centered classroom, fostering active learning
- Allows for small group, targeted instruction based on the needs of each student
- Promotes student discussion
- Provides opportunities to build on conceptual understanding
- Allows for varied instructional strategies to be modeled

# Language Arts-Writing

- ◆ Students will write daily
- ◆ Pre-write, Draft, Edit and Revise, Final Draft and Publishing
- ◆ Grading— Organization, punctuation, grammar, spelling and handwriting will be graded and reported each nine weeks
- ◆ Writing Portfolio— Teachers will save some of their writing pieces throughout the year to monitor progress. You will get this at the end of the year.

# Envision Math- 100% aligned with TEKS

Consists of 16 topics:

- Addition Strategies
- Subtraction Strategies
- Numbers to 1,200
- Comparing and Ordering to 1,200
- Exploring Addition and Subtraction
- Adding 2-Digit Numbers
- Subtracting 2-Digit Numbers
- 3-Digit Addition and Subtraction
- Meanings of Multiplication and Division
- Money
- Number Patterns and Algebra
- Fractions
- Geometry
- Measurement
- Data
- Personal Financial Literacy

# Social Studies Units of Study:

## Social Studies Weekly

People and Their Customs

Government and Citizenship

Geography and Culture

History

Economics

Technology and Society

# Science Units of Study:

## FOSS

Balance and Motion

Air, Weather and Earth

Insects and Plants

# Focused Instruction Time

- FIT occurs Monday-Thursday from 12:00-12:45.
- The purpose of FIT is to provide targeted instruction specific to the needs of each student.
- Our 2nd grade team takes ownership of each student's learning. Students might have the opportunity to be instructed by various teachers during FIT.
- More to come soon...

# Assessments

- Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA)
- Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)
- Formative Assessments
- End of unit tests
- Weekly quizzes
- Informal teacher observations
- Grading policy





# Take Home Folder

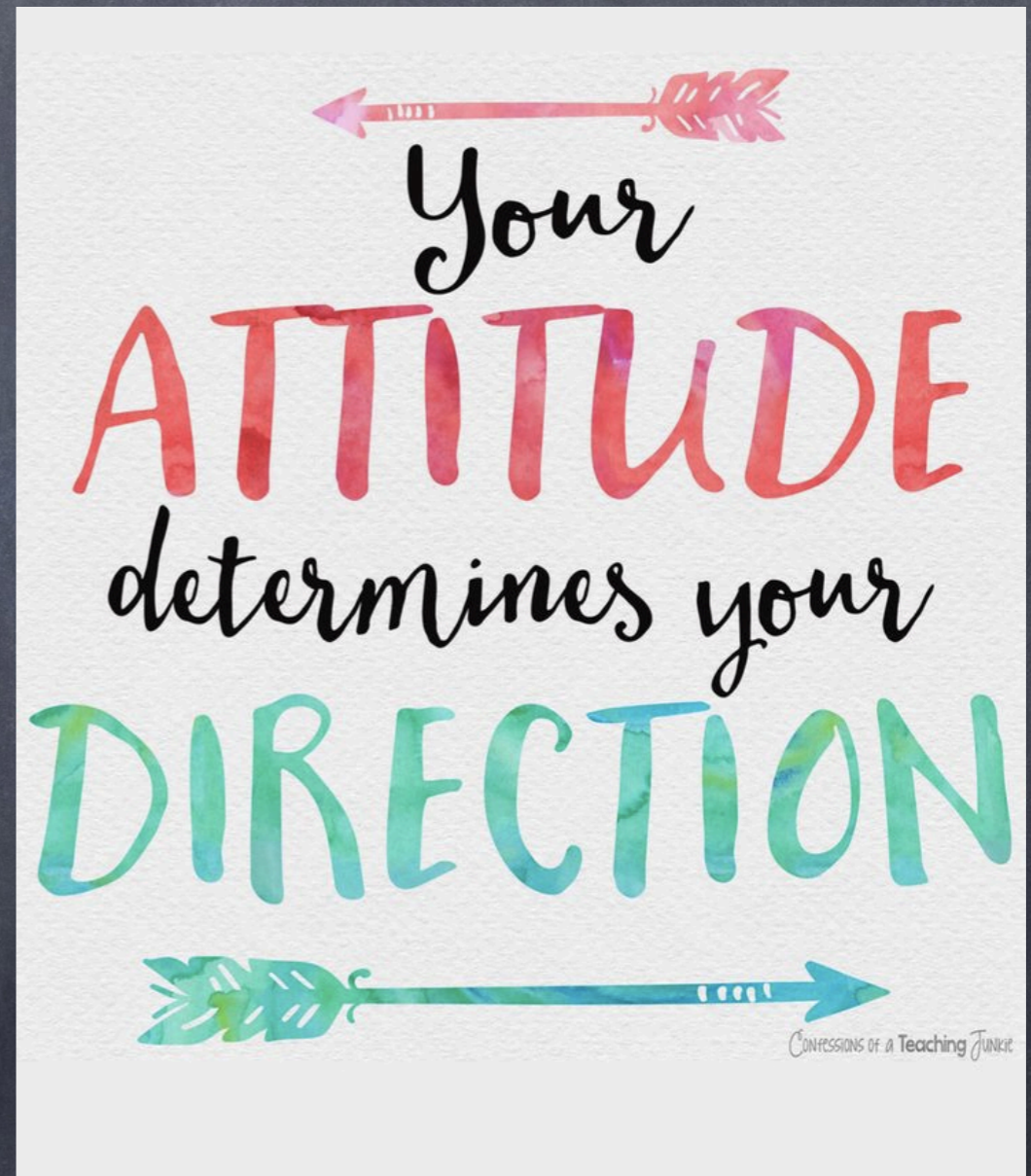
- Your student will have a folder that goes home and comes back to school every day.
- Please get in the habit of checking this folder EVERY DAY
- Homework/reading log/calendar

# Homework Assignments

- Homework in 2nd grade is focused on reading, reinforcing learned math skills and increasing responsibility and student accountability. No more Than 30 minutes!
- Read with your child at least 15 minutes at night.  
\*\*Reading logs will be in the Take Home Folder
- Math Homework  
\*\*this is optional and will come home 2-4 nights/week
- Practice math facts 5-10 minutes 3X/week
- Assignments may change according to teacher observations and student needs

# Behavior Incentives in 2nd Grade

- Positive reinforcements
- Full class
- Individual
- Behavior Calendar

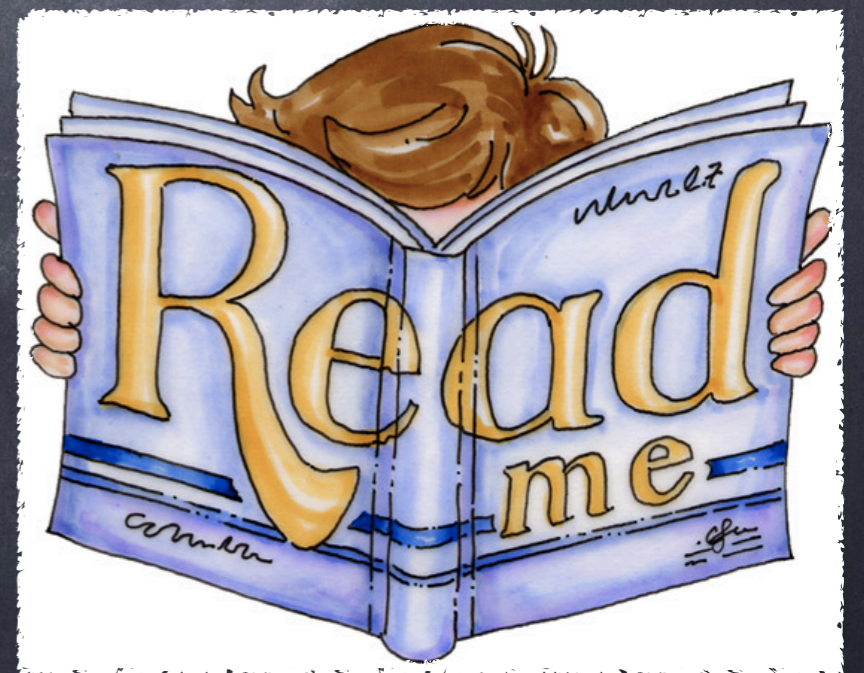


# BPE Library

- Class library times on class schedules/  
weebly
- Students may visit the library during  
class visits and as allowed by their  
teacher.

• <http://bpekricter.weebly.com/>

• [kricter@eanesisd.net](mailto:kricter@eanesisd.net)



# Important Times During our Day:

- Morning Recess: 9:20-9:35
- 2nd Recess: 10:50-11:05
- Lunch: 11:05-11:30
- Specials (Teacher Planning Time): 12:50-1:40.  
Check your class weebly for specifics.
- Library: Each class will attend the library every week.  
Check your class weebly for specifics.

# Miscellaneous

- Cafeteria: If you plan to join your child for lunch, please check-in and obtain a badge from the office. You may only provide food for your child.
- Bobcat of the Week
- Mystery Reader
- Please send your child to school in proper shoes for recess and PE.
- Please send a quick and easy snack each day.

# Save the dates:

## Parent Conferences

- October 25-27.
- Sign-UPS will take place in early October through Skyward.
- Arts Days will be the morning of conference days

## Science Day

- January 26, 2018
- More to come...

# Follow Us on Social Media

- Bridge Point Elementary (Facebook)
- bpe\_bobcats (Instagram and Twitter)
- Check weebly for teacher accounts





# Eanes ISD G.T. Program

~Marni Osofsky

- The GT program provides a rich curriculum, which develops and reinforces skills in critical and creative thinking, logic and problem solving, divergent thinking, research, and communication.
- Students attend GT class during FIT time Mondays through Thursdays.

# G.T. Assessment

- The focus is to serve students who have instructional needs due to exceptional potential in both intellectual and creative abilities. Since each district has different qualification guidelines, children, including students new to the district, will need to be assessed in order to be recommended for the Eanes ISD Gifted Program.
- Registration for assessment deadline is **AUGUST 31.**
- For further questions, contact Marni Osofsky, GT Teacher @ [mosofsky@eanesisd.net](mailto:mosofsky@eanesisd.net)

# Still have questions?

Still have questions,  
please be sure to  
add it to the parking  
lot before you leave.





Please feel free to head upstairs  
where you may tour your child's  
classroom at this time.