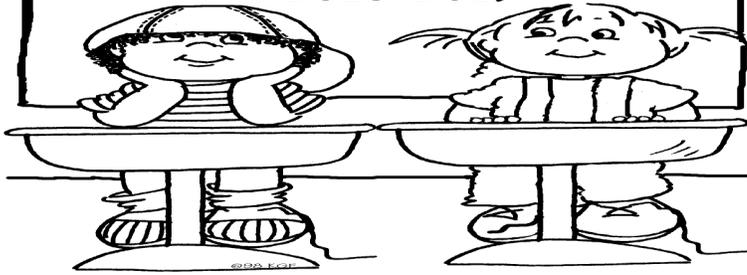


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**2nd Grade Parent Handbook
2018-2019**



School Information

School Phone Number: 509-523-3061

2nd Grade Extension: 3105

Principal: Mr. Matt McLain

Registrar/Secretary: Mrs. Ferrell

School Web Address:
www.rosaliaschools.com

My name is Leslie Peterschick and this is my 18th year of teaching 2nd Grade at Rosalia. Previously, I have taught 4th and 5th grades in the Sprague-Lamont School District, four years in Kindergarten at Rosalia, and two years of 4th Grade here in Rosalia.

I am very excited to be teaching your child this year. I am looking forward to meeting and working with those of you who are new to second grade. I am also excited to work with those parents who have had children in my class before.

As you look through the Parent Handbook, please feel free to jot down a few notes or any questions that arise. I will be glad to answer them anytime.

I am looking forward to a great year! We have much to learn! I know we will be successful as long as we stay on task and do our jobs. Thank you for sharing your child with me this year!

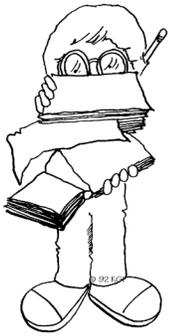
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GRADING: Grades are not given at the primary level at Rosalia. Instead your child will receive a 1, 2, 3, or 4. A 1 shows your child is performing Below Standard. 2 your child is Progressing towards the standard. 3 your child is Meeting Standard, and 4 your child is Above Standard.

PROGRESS UPDATES: Progress Updates or grade checks, will be sent home **once a quarter** and will require a parent's signature. The students should return the signed folder to school the following day. Look for Grade Check dates in our class newsletter.

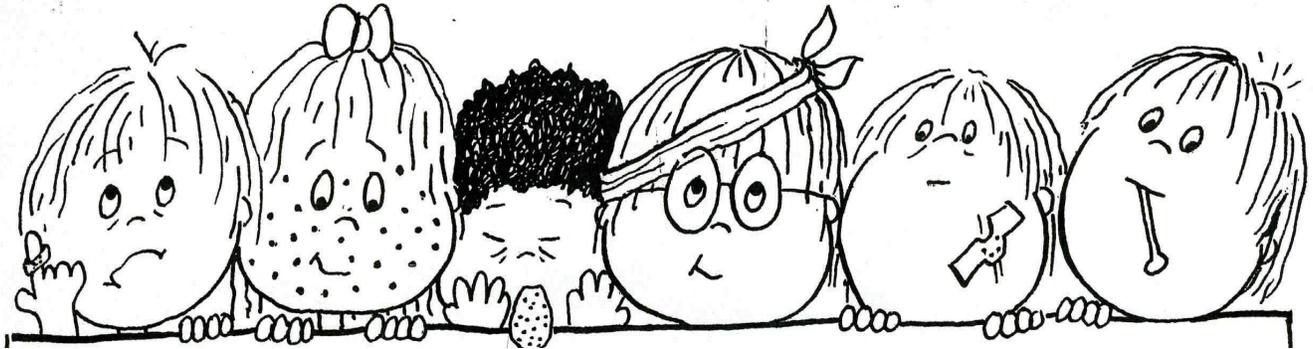
REPORT CARDS: Report cards will be issued every quarter (about 9 weeks). Conferences will be held twice a year, once in the fall and once in the spring.



STUDENT PROGRESS

All students needing to take medications (prescription and/ or over the counter) at school, must bring them to the office accompanied by the "Authorization for Medication" form completed by a licensed health care provider and a parent. The school nurse or designee will then dispense the medication to the student as per the directions from the licensed health care provider.

Under no circumstances are school staff allowed to give students aspirin, pain relievers, cough drops, Vaseline, or other medications.



Medications at School

For years educational researchers have debated the impact that homework has on children of different ages. After spending hours studying the research and using my own observations as a classroom teacher, I have decided NOT to assign nightly homework. I invest a lot of time working with my students in the classroom, to promote learning and success. By the end of the day, we are all exhausted. Asking a child to do more work is equivalent to asking you to work longer hours with no pay or on weekends. We need a break and during this break from learning we can reflect/relax/refresh on what was learned.

The only request I have is for your child to read 20 minutes each night from a book of their choice, at their reading level. They do not have to document the reading. I simply want them to read for pleasure! I want them to read books on their reading level and share their reading with you. By reading, your child will increase their fluency, comprehension, and expand their vocabulary.

If you have any questions or would like to read some of the research, please let me know. Talk with your child about what they learned in math, reading, or science each day. Enjoy spending time with your child each night!

HOMWORK

Birthday Parties:



On or near your child's birthday, he/she may bring treats to share with the class. Summer birthdays may celebrate anytime during the year. I will try to schedule your child to be the STAR STUDENT in our class the week of their birthday or half birthday. **Please let me know ahead of time when your child will be bringing treats so we can plan our day accordingly.**

Holiday Parties:

We will have three holiday parties during the school year...Halloween, Christmas, and Valentine's Day. We will set aside about an hour for each party. This will usually be at the end of the school day.

I will contact a parent helper to organize the party. Please let me know if you would like to organize, help, and/or send goodies before the party. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend our class parties!



Class Parties

Parents are welcome and encouraged to help out in the classroom. Volunteering in the classroom allows a parent to see how their child fits into the dynamics of the classroom environment. It also allows a parent the opportunity to become acquainted with their child's classmates and teacher.

There are a variety of ways that parents can volunteer their time. Weekly volunteering, take home work (cutting, gluing, stapling, assemble projects, etc.), chaperoning on field trips, and helping with class parties are ways in which parents can volunteer their time.

If you are interested in helping out in the classroom you must complete an application with the District Office.

All parent volunteers must check in at the High School office before continuing to the elementary classrooms.



PARENT VOLUNTEERS

The administration, teachers, and staff at Rosalia Elementary are concerned with the safety and well being of all students at the elementary level. In order to assist our playground aides and teachers in ensuring the safety of your children, we have implemented the following procedures when picking students up during school hours.

1. Parents should report to Mrs. Ferrell in the High School Office when taking children from school.
2. Parents should complete a check-out form with Mrs. Ferrell.
3. Playground aides are not permitted to allow grade school students to leave the school grounds without proper notification.
4. Parents should refrain from checking out students during recess and lunch time. Please plan to pick your child up before or after lunch. Our lunch begins at 11:10 and ends at 11:45.

In following these guidelines, the faculty and staff at Rosalia will be able to monitor the playground to allow the safest environment possible for your children.



CHECK-OUT PROCEDURES

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER: Look for a weekly newsletter every Friday. These newsletters contain information about upcoming events including field trips and special activities. They also contain information about what your child has been studying during the week. Newsletters are sent home every Friday, are posted on the bulletin board at the east end of the elementary hallway by the south door, and are on the class website (www.rosaliaschools.com).

STUDENT ABSENCES: Of course we hope to see your child at school each day, however if your child is sick or not able to attend class, please call the school office (509-523-3061) to let us know your child will not be at school that day. When your child returns to class, please send a note explaining why your child was not able to attend school. If you would like schoolwork to be sent home with a sibling, or picked up by someone else, please let the office know early in the day, or contact me at 509-523-3061, extension 3105, so we can get their work together.

MAKE-UP WORK: A student may spend part of recess time completing make-up work so he or she can receive individual help from me. Students may be required to complete missed assignments. Tests will be given to the students on the day after or the day they return to school after being absent.

TEACHER CONTACT INFORMATION: If you need to contact me, I can be reached during school hours (8:00-3:30) at 509-523-3061, extension 3105. If you call during class time, you may need to leave a message as I may not answer if I am teaching. You can also leave a message with Mrs. Ferrell in the high school office. I can also be contacted by email at lpeterschick@rosaliaschools.org. I check my email at least twice a day...first thing in the morning and after school.

FIELD TRIPS: Field trips are a special privilege. I encourage any available parent to attend with us. Trips are curriculum related and provide extended knowledge of classroom studies. Our field trips this year may include a small fee to be paid for by the students. The classroom fee will also be used for this purpose. Field trip destinations will be announced later in the year.

SCHOOL START AND RELEASE TIMES: School starts at 8:30. Students are not allowed in the building or on the playground until 8:00 a.m. This is for your child's safety as there is no supervision before 8:00 a.m. School is dismissed at 3:05 and the busses leave at 3:10. On early release days students are dismissed at 12:00 noon.

Parents may pick up their children after school at the car pick up area by the south double doors or at the double cafeteria doors.

CLASS MOTTO: Be Safe, Be Kind, Be the Best You Can Be!



General Information