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Welcome to Second Grade!

My name is Ms. Beusse and I want to introduce myself and tell you a little bit about me. I grew up in Connecticut with my mom, my dad, and my brother. I went to Boston College and go back to visit friends and attend football games as much as possible (go Eagles!). I have been living in PA for five years now and I love it here! It is my sixth year teaching at St. Frances Cabrini and I am so excited to share my second year in second grade with your children! I am even more excited to have students back in the school in person!

Over the summer, you have a workbook to complete. The work is broken down into 6 weeks with one page of math and one page of ELA each day. It should only take you about 30 minutes or less to complete the work each day. If you would prefer to do more than the two pages each day, that is up to you! These are good activities to review what you learned in first grade so that you are ready for second grade in September!

You also need to read "Flat Stanley" by Jeff Brown. Please design your Flat Stanley. Bring it to at least 3 places and take pictures with Flat Stanley. Write one paragraph for each place that Stanley visits this summer. :)

** Flat Stanley cut-out, directions, and rubric are attached!

I look forward to getting to know you all
more next year! Have a great Summer!

Sincerely,
Ms. Beusse

Flat Stanley Project

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Your child is to read the story “Flat Stanley” by Jeff Brown. Please have your child design their own Flat Stanley (cut-out is attached). When your child is finished designing their cut-out, please have them cut out Stanley and glue him on a piece of cardstock or construction paper to make him sturdy.

Please bring Stanley on adventures to 3 places. Take pictures with him. Your child is to write a complete paragraph about each place that is visited (at least 5 sentences per paragraph). To help your child write their own paragraphs, think of who, what, when, where, why? Use descriptive words!

Please have your child be creative with their project! They may create a scrapbook, a photo album, a poster, or a story book with their paragraphs and pictures.

On the first day of school, please make sure your child brings Stanley and their completed project. I will have the students present their projects to their class throughout the first couple of weeks of school. I will then hang their projects on the bulletin board outside of the classroom so everyone can see their work.

The students will be receiving a writing grade as well as a speaking and listening grade for this project. The rubric for their project is attached.

I am excited to see and hear about where Stanley goes with your family!

Sincerely,
Ms. Beusse

Design your own Flat Stanley!



Project Rubric

Student's Name

	Does not meet expectations 1	Almost meets expectations 2	Meets expectations 3	Exceeds expectations 4
There are three (3) complete paragraphs in my writing piece that describe where Stanley visited.				
There are pictures that go along with each place Stanley visited.				
The information is clear.				
The work is neat.				
Spelling, capitalization, and punctuation are correct.				
When you presented to the class, your voice was loud enough to hear easily.				
You spoke slowly enough to be understood.				
You looked at the audience.				

