Dear 2L Families,

Welcome to 2nd grade! I hope you are having a wonderful, fun-filled summer with your family. I am truly looking forward to a delightful school year with your child. Please allow me to briefly introduce myself and to cover a few important details about the year.

I was warmly welcomed into the Brookline community during the 2014-2015 school year, when I completed my student teaching in a 3rd grade classroom. Shortly after, I ended the school year teaching 2nd grade for a maternity leave position. This will be my 8th year teaching 2nd grade at FRR! Prior to teaching, I worked for Big Brothers Big Sisters for four years and completed an AmeriCorps position with City Year Boston in a 4th grade classroom in South Boston. I graduated with a Bachelors Degree in Family Studies from the University of New Hampshire and I earned my Masters Degree in Elementary Education from Lesley University. Although I am originally from New Hampshire, I currently live in Norwood with my husband and I am happy to call the Boston area my home!

I will be spending my summer visiting family and friends, relaxing on the beaches of Cape Cod, and enjoying a few good books! Although summer is a great time to unwind and relax, I am excited to have the school year start again! September happens to be my favorite time of the year and I am eager to get back into the classroom and begin the journey through 2nd grade with you and your child.

While I do have experience teaching students in grades $2^{nd} - 4^{th}$, I can honestly say 2^{nd} grade is my ultimate favorite! This year will be truly monumental for your child and I just know you will be amazed with the growth and progress your child will make this year.

Attached you will find a welcome letter for your child and a list of supplies needed for 2nd grade. I recognize that in these hard economic times, all families may not be able to purchase all or any of the items on the supply list. If you need help buying school supplies for your child, please email me and I will make sure the supplies get purchased.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have between now and the start of school or simply to introduce yourself at <u>amber llanto@psbma.org</u>. I encourage you to send me your email addresses before the start of the school year as well, so that I can begin to keep you informed as soon as the school year starts!

I am looking forward to spending a productive and enjoyable year together! Enjoy the rest of summer and I am excited to meet you and your child on September 6th!

Warmly,

Amber Llanto

Dear Student,

Welcome to 2nd grade! I hope you are as excited for the first day of school as I am! I am looking forward to meeting you. This 2nd grade year will be both a very busy and fun year! We will work hard together and you will learn so many new and exciting things!

I bet it is hard to believe but this year you will become an even better reader and writer than you already are. I can't wait to hear about what types of books you like to read! In math, some things we will learn about are how to add and subtract two and three digit numbers, how to read large numbers, tell time, and a lot more! You might also look forward to studying the cultures of Japan and Ghana, or exploring soil and nutrition in science.

This summer, I'll be working hard to get our classroom ready for the start of school. Starting school is always fun and exciting but sometimes it can make you feel a little nervous. I always get a little nervous too right before school starts! I know once the first day of school begins, we will all look forward to the next! Below you will find a list of fun facts about me to help you get to know me a little better before school starts!

Some Fun Facts About Mrs. Llanto

- This is my 8th year teaching 2nd grade at FRR!
- I have an adorable French Bulldog, Bradley. You will hear all about him throughout the year! He is 8 years old.
- I grew up in New Hampshire.
- I have 12 nieces and nephews.
- I am a huge Red Sox fan!
- I have 4 sisters and 3 brothers.
- My favorite foods are salads and burritos!
- I love to travel and explore new places, and I even lived in Australia for 6 months.
- My favorite local place to visit is Nantucket.
- I love to read both books for adults AND books for kids!
- I absolutely LOVE teaching the 2nd grade!

I hope you enjoy the rest of summer with your families. I look forward to hearing about all of your summer adventures when I see you on the first day of school on September 6th!

Love Your 2nd Grade Teacher, Mrs. Llanto

	1 Composition Notebook
	2 boxes of sharpened pencils
Crayole MARKERS 10	1 pack markers
24 Crayola, CALYOLS 20	1 pack crayons
Colorep PENCIS	1 pack colored pencils
	2 boxes of tissues
	2 Glue sticks

*The following items are greatly appreciated but are not mandatory

	Clorox wipes
Constant And	Non-Perishable, Nut free classroom snacks
Land Tables Martines	Hand sanitizer
	Dry erase markers