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Hello Second Graders & Families,

Welcome to Grade 2! My name is Ms. Chant, and I will be your classroom teacher next year. I am so looking forward to meeting all of you and embarking on a wonderful year of learning! This will be my 9th year teaching second grade, and my 12th year working in schools. I continue to love working with this curious and energetic age group! Second grade is a fantastic year where we will become more confident readers and fluent mathematicians. We will stretch our deep-thinking skills in science and social studies and build our independence as learners. We will think a lot about fairness, kindness, and how we make the world a better place.

Here's a little bit about me: I am originally from the Mount Washington Valley in New Hampshire, so I grew up skiing, hiking, and spending a lot of time in and around lakes. These are still some of my favorite things to do! I live in Somerville where I enjoy walking to delicious restaurants and exploring the city on my bike. On nice days, sometimes I bike to school! I love to read, and I am never without a good book. I enjoy playing piano and baking, and I am always trying to become a better cook. I think seven and eight-year-olds have a great sense of humor, and are some of the best people in the world. I am lucky to get to spend so much time with them!

This summer, I'll be making my way through a big pile of books, taking a few trips, and yes, spending lots of time in oceans and lakes! I'll be visiting my nephew Max in California (he is a baby, but he is very fun to be with), visiting a friend in France, and spending a few weeks in the sun on the Cape and in Maine. I will also be spending time getting our classroom ready to greet all of you in September!

Our class uses communal supplies, and we share everything equally with each other. In order to keep things consistent, I have put everything we need on an Amazon Wishlist. We will share that with you closer to the start of the school year. Please do not feel pressured to purchase anything, as we will be sure every kid has what they need come fall. We are grateful for your support!

I can't wait to meet all of you and get started on what is sure to be an excellent year. Have a marvelous rest of your summer! Play outside, read a lot, and I'll see you in the fall!

Warmly,

Ms. Chant