

Summer Math

Second Grade Students 2026-2027

Dear Parents of Future Second Graders,

We are so proud of the incredible success your child has demonstrated as a budding mathematician this year! They have shown fantastic growth in their understanding of numbers and their ability to solve addition and subtraction problems. To ensure we don't lose this wonderful momentum and maintain their accuracy and fluency with these essential basic facts over the summer, we have a fun and effective plan in place.

This summer, all incoming second-grade students will be expected to engage with the Xtra Math website for approximately 10 minutes each day, Monday through Friday. Following a brief initial screening process, the program will tailor exercises to your child's individual needs. I will be monitoring both weekly completion and student progress each Friday afternoon.

Students will begin their practice with basic addition facts, aiming for fluency within 6 minutes. The Xtra Math program will automatically notify me upon successful completion of this level, at which point I will advance your child to the next stage of practice. As students master each level, they will earn a special certificate of achievement! When we return to school in August, we will celebrate their hard work by creating a "Math Masters" wall to proudly display all the earned certificates.

Please find attached your child's unique enrollment information for the Xtra Math program. As each student's login details are specific to them, please keep this information in a safe place. However, should it be misplaced, please don't hesitate to reach out, and I will gladly send a replacement form. If you encounter any difficulties during the enrollment process, please let me know, and I will be happy to assist you in getting set up and started.

We believe this consistent, short practice will make a significant difference in maintaining and strengthening your child's foundational math skills, setting them up for continued success in second grade. We look forward to celebrating their achievements with them in August!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Moran

Second Grade Teacher

Students Entering Second Grade August 2026

Dear All Souls Catholic School Parents,

Happy summer! While you are enjoying your summer, please encourage your child to read as much as possible. Reading is one of the most important skills which can impact your child's academic success and confidence! Listed below is information regarding the reading activities your child is expected to complete during the summer. Please send the completed activities with your child on the **second** day of school.

Dear future second graders, please choose one of the following books to read this summer:

A Friend for Dragon by Dav Pilkey or **Diary of a Pug** by Kyla May

- If you choose **A Friend for Dragon**, create a fun comic strip! You will draw and color a picture for six events that happen in the story. Draw them in order of how they happen in the book. You may use labels and speech bubbles to write your sentences. You should have a **minimum** of one sentence **per drawing**. Have fun drawing Dragon by using the "How to Draw Dragon" pages in the book

- If you choose to read **Diary of a Pug**, please create **four** diary entries to add to the book ending. **Each diary entry** should be a **minimum** of one sentence **with a picture**. You may also create a diary entry with comic drawings like the book.

- The assignment can be made with any medium and be any size. Be as creative as you want ☺.

- Please hand completed assignments into your second-grade teacher on the 2nd day of school.

- Be ready to share the first week of school.

- In addition to the mandatory book, students will read at least two more books from the list below:

Aston, Dianna Hutts

An Egg is Quiet

Blume, Judy

Cam Jansen and the Mystery of the Stolen Diamonds

Lobel, Arnold

Frog and Toad Are Friends

Roy, Ron

The Absent Author

Rylant, Cynthia

Henry and Mudge and the Starry Night

- Record **all** the books that your child reads on the reading log that is included
- Students will complete **AR quizzes** for the books they have read at the end of the first week of school.
- Project rubrics are included to guide your student in creating a finished project that meets all second-grade expectations for neatness, effort, and storytelling.




Name _____




My Summer Reading Log




CHECK ONE




Read to
Read with
Read independently




Color in the face to show
how you like the book.

1.	Title	Author						
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2.	Title	Author						
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3.	Title	Author						
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5.	Title	Author						
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Comic Strip Rubric: *A Friend for Dragon*

Student Name: _____

Total Points: + _____ /15

Category	Super Dragon! (3 pts)	Good Effort (2 pts)	Needs More Work (1 pt)
Story Sequence	All 6 events are in the exact order they happened in the book.	Most events (4-5) are in order, or one event is missing.	The events are out of order or many are missing.
Sentences & Labels	Every picture has at least one sentence. Labels and bubbles are used well.	Most pictures have a sentence, but a few are missing.	Very few sentences or labels are used.
Legible Printing	Writing is neat and easy to read . Letters are formed correctly.	Writing is mostly readable, but some parts are hard to see.	Handwriting is very messy or difficult to read.
Neat Coloring	Drawings are neatly colored inside the lines. The page looks tidy.	Most pictures are colored, but some spots look rushed or messy.	Little to no color used, or the work looks very messy.
Student's Own Work	The student did all the drawing and writing by themselves.	The student did most of the work, but had adult help.	An adult did the drawing or writing for the student.

● STOP! Before You Turn In Your Work...

Complete your "Summer Success Checklist" to make sure your project is ready!

- [] The "Six-Box" Story: I have 6 drawings that tell the story from start to finish.
- [] Best Handwriting: I used my neatest second-grade printing so my teacher can read my work.
- [] Stay in the Lines: I used my favorite colors and took my time to make it look professional.
- [] Kid-Made: I am proud to say I did this all by myself!
- [] Sentence Check: I have at least one sentence for every single picture.

Diary of a Pug Rubric: New Diary Entries

This rubric helps you see exactly how to earn a "Pug-tastic" score on your summer reading project!

Total points: + _____/15

Student Name: _____

Category	Pug-tastic! (3 pts)	Good Effort (2 pts)	Needs More Work (1 pt)
Diary Entries	I wrote 4 new diary entries to add to the end of the story.	I wrote 2 or 3 diary entries.	I only wrote 1 diary entry or none at all.
Sentences & Pictures	Every entry has at least one sentence and a matching picture.	Most entries have a sentence and a picture.	Many entries are missing sentences or pictures.
Legible Printing	My handwriting is neat and easy to read . My letters are the right size.	My writing is mostly readable, but some parts are a bit messy.	My writing is very hard for my teacher to read.
Neat Coloring	My pictures are neatly colored and stay inside the lines.	Most of my coloring is neat, but some parts look rushed.	There is very little color, or the coloring is very messy.
Student's Own Work	I did all the writing and drawing myself . It is 100% my work!	I did most of the work, but an adult helped me draw or write.	An adult did the drawing or writing for me.

● STOP! Before You Turn In Your Work...

Complete your "Summer Success Checklist" to make sure your project is ready!

- **The "4-Entry" Story:** I added 4 new entries to the end of the book.
- **Best Handwriting:** I used my neatest second-grade printing so my teacher can read my work.
- **Stay in the Lines:** I used my favorite colors and took my time to make it look professional.
- **Kid-Made:** I am proud to say I did this all by myself!
- **Sentence Check:** I have at least one sentence for every single diary entry.