



# Brainy Bunch News

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We've had a great start to the school year! It's been a busy two days getting to know each other and learning second grade routines and expectations. Our focus in science has been on the brain and how we learn. We learned that mistakes are a natural part of learning and about the power of "yet." In social studies we are learning about important lines on maps. We look forward to Back to School Night and sharing lots more information about second grade! A few things parents need to know...

\*Our lunch is late this year. (12:24 for Katherine's group, aka "Right Brain" and 12:27 for Sheryl's group, aka "Left Brain.") We will have a time for a healthy snack in the morning if you would like to send one for your child. Please no drinks or messy foods. Most children also bring a water bottle to school. Please do not use ice or freeze water. Condensation gets student's work wet.

\*Please include both teachers on any email communication. We work closely together to meet the needs of our students.

\*If you have not already, please fill out our parent survey at <http://brainybunch.weebly.com/parent-survey.html> and help us get to know your second grader. There were some technical issues with our web page last week, but we think it has been fixed.



\*Back to School Night is Monday, September 6.

5:30 – 6:00 PTA Meeting

6:00 – 7:00 PK – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade (We will meet in the library.)

7:00 – 8:00 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade

\*Most homework this year will consist of daily reading, math fact practice (often games) and SEL. SEL (social emotional learning) is a school wide program. Occasionally, other assignments will be given. Attached you will find the first homework assignment, which includes something for parents. (Don't worry – this won't happen often!) The "All About Me" poster is to be completed by your child. (with your help if needed) A baby photo of your child (between 3 months and 12 months if possible) should be affixed in the box. Please make sure your child's name is on the BACK. We are going to place them in the hallway and have fun guessing who each one is. Another note explaining the parent homework is attached. This homework is due Tuesday, August 28. If not stated otherwise, homework is ALWAYS due the next Tuesday after it is assigned.

\*The office sent home a media consent form for Minors today. The Brainy Bunch does use our website and other sites such as Twitter, Class Dojo, SeeSaw, etc. to share to share work, photos, etc. We never identify students by name and ask students not to also. Students with permission to share, will also create and publish their own website.

\*Check your child's folder today for a code to connect to your child's Class Dojo account. We will be using it to document behavior choices and may also use it to share photos.

