

Mrs. Barnes'

Grade 2

Dear Grade 2's and Parents:

I sure miss seeing all of your smiling faces and hearing about all the fun things you and your families are doing. I hope that you are all healthy and well, remember to wash your hands frequently and to practice social distancing.

This week will be a learning curve and an adjustment period for all of us. I am learning about new technology and am super nervous but it has been reassuring that together with our patience and practice we will get through this.

Google classroom is going to be our main way of connecting. This is where I will post assignments, videos and instructions. Parents will access google classroom through their child's email login information. I will also send out a daily email to parents emails with the plan for the day. I will be available during regular school hours if you have any questions. Please feel free to contact me through the email or by calling the school. I hope to make this transition to online learning as seamless as possible.

I have added our class to spelling city. This is a new way for us to complete our daily spelling work. This is a new program for me and the students. Your feedback is appreciated.

Lastly, we are in this together. This is a difficult and new situation for all of us. Remember that you are your child's first teacher. You can make choices about if you complete an activity right now or later. We as adults are filled with big emotions and it's only natural that our children have them as well. As an adult we can recognize that our fears and stress can come out as anger and frustration. Children need to learn coping skills and strategies from us. If your child is angry or frustrated take a break and do something fun. It is impossible to learn when were feeling some of these big emotions.

I look forward to connecting with each of you as we embark on this new adventure.

God Bless,
Mrs. Barnes

"God will fight your battles if you just keep still. He is able to carry you through. Trust Him. Keep standing, keep believing and keep hoping."

— **Germany Kent**