Dear Second Grade Parents,

Welcome to room # 204. I would like to take a moment to introduce myself. I am Mrs. Meggan Warne Olsen and this is my twenty-second year teaching at Thomas Sharp School. I am entering my twentieth year teaching second grade. I received a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Muhlenberg College and completed post baccalaureate course work in Elementary Education at Rowan University to receive my teaching certification.

I am looking forward to the start of this school year! This year will be one of growth, excitement, and much learning. The students who walk through our classroom door in September will enter a community of learners who will work together as a team and share their eagerness to learn with one another. The students will step into an environment where they will all feel comfortable to share their thoughts and ideas. Coming to school well rested and prepared to learn, will help to create a positive learning environment.

Children are like snowflakes, where no two are exactly alike. Therefore, instructional methods will be varied as much as possible in order to cater to the multiple learning styles of the students in our classroom. Throughout the year, we will be doing many "hands-on" learning activities since children tend to retain more of what they have been taught when they are actively involved in their learning. Our school days will be filled with many reading, writing, and math activities that span the curriculum. We will explore themes such as:

- Governing the People
- The World Around Us
- Using Our Resources
- People Long Ago
- A World of Many People
- \* Material Magic
- \* Work of Water
- \* Plant Adventures
- \* Animal Adventures

Have a relaxing and safe summer. Enjoy the simple pleasures of this community. Take some time each day to read with your child and talk about what you have read. Keep a journal of your summer adventures and practice your math facts.

Enjoy your time together this summer. I look forward to meeting you and your child on the first day of school!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Meggan Warne Olsen

## Second Grade Supply List

## Mrs. Olsen

## Room #204

- \*5 marble notebooks (composition books)
- \*5 plastic folders (2 pocket type) 1 red, 1 green, 1 blue, 1 orange, and 1 yellow
- \* 1/2 in. 3-ring binder
- \*pencils
- \*erasers
- \*1 pair of scissors
- \*4 glue sticks
- \*4 dry erase markers (black)
- \*1 pencil box (to keep in school)
- \*1 box of crayons
- \*1 pair of earphones (not earbuds)
- \*smock (an old shirt will be fine)
- \*2 boxes of tissues

\*Please put your child's name on his/her things!

Happy Back to School Shopping!

