# Welcome to 2nd Grade!

We are so excited for 2nd grade! This is a year that students will continue to grow and learn while building their independence and confidence. To help our students master each of the academic and developmental areas, this class will be co-taught. Co-teaching is when two certified teachers are present in the classroom and they work together through the teaching process: planning, teaching, and assessing progress. Students frequently have different learning styles and preferences. Co-teaching often allows those different needs to be more easily met. Ms. Rua and a Learning Specialist Ms. Lucien will be co-teaching the 2nd grade classroom this school year! Please continue reading to learn more about the adults who will be supporting your child in the classroom.



#### Classroom Teacher- Ms. Rua

My name is Ms. Rua and I will be your child's 2nd grade teacher! I grew up in St. Johnsbury, VT and have lived in Revere for the past 23 years. This will be my 24th year teaching. I have taught 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade. I am excited to be teaching 2nd grade this school year! When I am not teaching, I enjoy cooking, reading, and spending time with my family and friends. I graduated from University of Vermont where I majored in French. I then went on to get my Masters Degree in Elementary Education with a focus on Reading from Lesley University. I am so excited to spend this year learning and growing with your students! <a href="mailto:erua@bostonpublicschools.org">erua@bostonpublicschools.org</a>



## Learning Specialist- Ms. Lucien

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Ms. Lucien and I am very excited to be working with your child this year. I have been an educator for more than 8 years and have lived in Boston for most of my life. I graduated from Boston College with a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and completed a Master of Education at the University of Massachusetts Boston. Outside of teaching, I enjoy shopping at Target, traveling and dining at various restaurants. I am thrilled to be starting this

year's journey with your child! I am looking forward to watching them learn, grow and experience joy in 2nd grade! <a href="mailto:clucien@bostonpublicschools.org">clucien@bostonpublicschools.org</a>



#### Paraprofessional- Ms. Caroline

Hi, My name is Caroline Ambris. I am Ms. Rua's para for the new school year. I worked at Dimock child and family for 10 years as a preschool teacher, before I joined the Clap Elementary community. I am looking forward to the new school year in second grade! cambris@bostonpublicschools.org

#### Important Dates

- Tuesday, September 3rd 4-5pm Ice Cream Social
- Thursday, September 5th First Day of School for Grades 1-6: arrive by 9:20; pick up by 4:10

### Supplies

Please see the list below for suggested school supplies that would be helpful to have in our classroom to prepare our second graders for all of the learning they will do! I will provide all other materials that are needed. Any contribution is greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance for your support!

- 1 box of Crayola crayons 24/pkg
- 1 box of #2 pencils 12 pack
- 1 large pink pencil eraser
- 2 Expo dry erase markers
- 1 box Ziploc bags (quart or gallon size)
- 1 package of Lysol/Clorox wipes
- 1 bottle of hand sanitizer
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 1 pack of glue sticks
- 1 pair of scissors
- 2 folders

Second grade is going to be a magical year filled with lots of learning, growth, and laughter! We are excited to learn about the forces of wind and water, the power of pollinators, and number and operations in base ten. We appreciate all of your support already and we deeply value your partnership. If any questions come up please do not hesitate to reach out!