Welcome to 2nd Grade!

Second grade is going to be a magical year filled with lots of learning, growth, and laughter! We will learn about the **forces of wind and water**, **the power of pollinators**, and **number and operations in base ten**. This is a year that students will continue to grow and learn while building their independence and confidence.

What is Co-Teaching?

Having two teachers in the same classroom looks different depending on the activity we're doing in class and the needs of the students. Sometimes we like to split the class into two groups with each teacher teaching one of the groups; this allows for a smaller teacher-to-student ratio for more complex topics. Occasionally, one teacher will pull a small group aside for additional-support instruction while the other teacher assists students with an extension assignment. This way, students receive additional help when needed or they receive meaningful extension activities led by a teacher instead of busywork to complete independently at their desk.

Who is the "head" teacher? Simple answer: both of us. One of our biggest goals as co-teachers is to establish parity and be viewed as equals among the school community. Both of us share roles and responsibilities within the classroom and continuously communicate in order to ensure consistency for students.

What Does My Child Need?

All supplies will be provided by the school. It is also understood that getting school supplies can be a way to help with the Back to School transition. The list below includes materials most used. Any supplies you choose to send in will be gratefully accepted $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{C}}$

- 1 box of #2 pencils 12 pack
- 1 large pink pencil eraser
- 1 pencil box
- 2 Expo dry erase markers
- 1 pack of glue sticks
- 2 folders
- 1 3-prong folder

Items for the class:

- Paper towels
- Tissues
- 1 box Ziploc bags (quart or gallon size)
- 1 container of Lysol/Clorox wipes
- 1 bottle of hand sanitizer

Important Dates

Tuesday, September 2rd - 4-5pm - Ice Cream Social Thursday, September 4th - First Day of School for Grades 1-6: arrive by 9:20; pick up by 4:10



Meet the Team

Inclusion 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 24 years. When I am not teaching, I enjoy cooking, reading, and spending time with my family and friends. I am so excited to spend this year learning and growing with your students! erua@bostonpublicschools.org



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! clucien@bostonpublicschools.org



Paraprofessional- Ms. DaCosta

My name is Adena Prince DaCosta and I am excited to work with your child this year. I have been working with children for over 30 years. I have a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education and Psychology. I have worked in various child care settings and have been working for BPS for 4 years. In my spare time, I love to spend time with my family and travel. I am thrilled to be a part of your child's educational journey. You can reach me at aprince@bostonpublicschools.org



1:1 Paraprofessional- Ms. Julien

Hi, my name is Diana Julien! This is my first year at Roger Clap, and I'm so excited to join this amazing community. I love being in the classroom and supporting students as they grow, learn, and discover their strengths. Outside of school, I enjoy traveling, reading, and writing. I'm looking forward to building relationships with families, supporting our students, and contributing to the strong, welcoming community that makes Roger Clap so special.