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Dear Parents –

Can you believe first grade is almost over? I know it seems like yesterday that they were starting Kindergarten, and now they're headed to second grade. The next school year will bring big changes for your child. Not only will there be more independence and accountability for your child, but they will also be introduced to new skills, strategies, and content. Because every year the pacing gets more rigorous, it's very important that your child continue to develop good organizational and work study habits.

To help prepare your child prepare for 2nd grade, I'd like him/her to work on his/her 1st grade language arts and mathematical skills over the summer to reinforce the foundation that has already been laid. This foundation is so extremely important as we build on skills in 2nd grade.

Please have your child continue to work in 1st grade IXL, with focus on mastering those skills; **Do not work in 2nd grade**. We'd like your child to complete the following 1st grade IXL sections, achieving 100%:

Math:

1. [A.17 even in odd numbers on number lines](#)
2. [D.10 addition sentences for word problems, sums to 18](#)
3. [H .11 subtraction sentences for word problems, to 18](#)
4. [J .5 addition and subtraction facts to 18](#)
5. [D.8 addition facts--sums to 18](#)

Language Arts:

1. [I.2 complete the word with the right R-controlled vowel: or, er, ir or, ur](#)
2. [H.4 choose the silent E sentence to match the picture](#)
3. [H.8 choose the vowel team sentence to match the picture](#)
4. [E.1 complete the word with the right initial consonant blend](#)
5. [E.5 fill in the missing consonant blend](#)

If your child is struggling with any of these sections, please have him/her review previous IXL sections for practice only. We will only be checking the above sections for 100%.

## Reading

We would also like your child to read *two* RQ books over the summer and take an RQ quiz on *each* book. Books must be at least on a 1.4 grade level or higher. RQ quizzes can be taken at home by logging in from the school's website, just like at school. Your child can look up the book in RQ to see if there is a quiz available. If there is not, he/she will have to choose another book.

I look forward to meeting you and your child in the fall!

If you have any questions, please email me: [rebecca.grady@sascolts.org](mailto:rebecca.grady@sascolts.org)

Have a blessed, safe and fun summer!

Mrs Grady

