Dear Future 2nd Grader,

Hi! My name is Mrs. Kokotajlo (or Mrs. Koko for short) and I am looking forward to being your teacher this year. Growing up, 2nd grade was my favorite. I had the BEST teacher in 2nd grade and she inspired me to become a teacher when I grew up!

I have two children that I'm sure you'll hear me talk about a lot! Jackson just turned 6 in July. He loved spending the summer learning how to swim and boogie boarding when we went to Cape May. He's really into baseball. He's starting first grade this year. My daughter Mia will be 5 in October. She was born on Halloween! Mia loves swimming like her brother. She's great at singing, dancing and just performing. Mia is VERY funny! I'm sure I'll share some of the silly things she does and says.

I really love baseball. I am a Baltimore Orioles fan (Mr. Koko is a Phillies fan)! My favorite player is Cal Ripken, Jr. He is a very famous baseball player. At Camden Yards (the Oriole baseball stadium), they have a statue of him! My brother used to work for the Orioles.

You are going to have so much fun in 2nd grade this year. We have so many fun activities planned. I hope you are as excited as I am!

Here are a few supplies that I am asking you to bring in the first day of school:

- 2 1 inch hard covered binder
- Two spiral 1 subject notebook (wide-ruled).
- A sturdy homework folder labeled with your name
- Headphones to be used with Chromebooks for in class activities and technology (no wireless headphones please).
- A healthy nut-free snack everyday

I know we are going to have such a fun and successful year together. I look forward to meeting you in room B-4 on Tuesday, September 2nd!

Your teacher,

Mrs. Kokotajlo

