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Highlights this week have been:

Today marked the eighth day of second grade! This newsletter will be sent to families and caregivers to share updates on our classroom activities. If you need to reach me at school, you can email me at: adessureau@u32.org or call: (802) 223-3796 ext. 104. It may take me 24-48 hours to reply to an email if I don't get right back to you.

We have been establishing routines for arrival, morning meeting, hallway behavior, transitions, and end-of-day procedures.

Every year I use the acronym C.A.R.E.S. from The Responsive Classroom approach to build and foster a positive learning community. This usually takes a good 4-6 weeks to build good foundational skills. The acronym stands for: C-Cooperation; A-Assertion/Assertiveness; R-Responsibility; E-Empathy and S-Self-Control. Mrs. Heinz, our School Counselor, will be collaboratively working with me to support students and their social emotional skills using Social Thinking Curriculum. This week we have focused on **Cooperation**. Students have had opportunities to work with a partner and play games, do puzzles and play one literacy and one math game.

Reading: As a class we are enjoying a chapter book read aloud called The Chicken Squad. This is the first book in a series about solving mysteries. During my read aloud I discuss vocabulary, model thinking aloud strategies and discuss character traits. Students have been learning about nouns; common nouns and proper nouns (example: a common noun is a school, a proper noun is Berlin Elementary School).

Math: Reading and writing the months of the year, the days of the week, identifying pennies and nickels, and counting the number of days in school.

Please Note: I am including a copy of my weekly classroom schedule that may be helpful for you. Your student has received a home-school folder which has their name as well as a sticker with our class weekly specials. Please support your student by sending the folder to school every day. It is also helpful to check the specials schedule to make sure your student is prepared with the appropriate materials (i.e. sneakers on P.E. days and library books to return on library days. It is also helpful to send your student in with a water bottle every day and a snack. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

I look forward to meeting you and working with you to support your student as they continue their learning journey at Berlin Elementary School.

Cheers, Amber Dessureau

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday (ECO)
8:45 - 9:05	Arrival & Morning Routine	Arrival & Morning Routine	Arrival & Morning Routine	Arrival & Morning Routines	Arrival & Morning Routine
9:05 - 9:30	MORNING MEETING	MORNING MEETING	MORNING MEETING	MORNING MEETING	MORNING MEETING
9:30 - 10:05	Fundations	Fundations	Health/Wellness Ms. Lindsey (W,Th)	Fundations	ECO/Science/GC
10:05-10:40	PE	Literacy WIN	Literacy WIN	Literacy WIN	
10:45-11:35	Writing/Sci./Global Cit.	Writing/Sci./Global Cit.	Writing/Sci./Global Cit.	Writing/Sci./Global Cit.	
11:40- 12:10	Lunch	Lunch (D)	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
12:10 - 12:40	Recess	Recess	Recess	Recess (D)	Recess
12:45-1:20 Specials	LITERACY WIN 12:45-1:15	Library	Music	Art	PE
1:25-1:50	Math WIN	Math WIN	Math WIN	Math WIN	Math WIN
1:50	Snack	Snack	Snack	Snack	Snack
2:05	Math	Math	Math	Math	Math
3:05	iReady Math/Global Cit./Science	iReady Math/Global Cit./Science	iReady Math/Global Cit./Science	iReady Math/Global Cit./Science	iReady Math/Global Cit./Science
3:20 - 3:30	Clean/ Pack/Dismissal	Clean/ Pack/Dismissal		Clean/ Pack/Dismissal	Clean/ Pack/Dismissal