

Dear Second Grade
Families & Caregivers,

Welcome back to school!

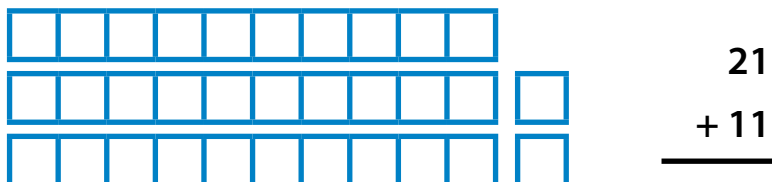
This year we are using Bridges in Mathematics, a K–5 math program that makes math meaningful and exciting. Some of the second grade topics of focus include addition and subtraction, place value, shapes, and length measurement. Throughout the year, students:

- Become fluent with addition and subtraction facts with numbers to 20
- Add and subtract with numbers to 1,000
- Measure length and solve problems involving lengths
- Identify, describe, and compare two-dimensional shapes

The math might sometimes seem unfamiliar or different than you remember, but there are many ways you can help!

Bridges uses visual models to make mathematics accessible to all learners. One way that students approach math is through pictures.

Ask your student about the pictures and models. For example, for this picture, you might ask questions like, “What do you notice about this picture?” “Where do you see the numbers in the picture?” and “How can you use the picture to help solve the problem?”



By being open to learning and talking with your student, you can help them develop a variety of useful strategies and a love of math.

