

Dear Friends and Family of Room 21:

My name is Alisha Wells and I will have the privilege of being child's Second Grade Teacher this year. I am excited about beginning this school year and look forward to getting to know your child. My goal for this year is to prepare each student for the challenges they will face in third grade while keeping an atmosphere that will instill in them a love of learning.

I want to tell you a little about myself since I will be spending a good amount of time with your child. I grew up in Coquille and graduated from high school here in 1995. I received my bachelor's degree from Oregon State University and my master's degree from Southern Oregon University. I have two children who are in the Coquille School System. My oldest is a kindergartener and my youngest is just starting out this year in Pre-K.

You will be receiving additional notes this week about math homework, spelling tests, and dictation sentences. Once homework has been completed and turned in, I will not be sending it home. My goal is to reduce the amount of papers your child brings home so that it is easier to find papers that will tell you how your child is doing in class. Since turning in homework responsibly is on the report card, I will send home a sheet that tells you how many pieces of homework your child has returned every two weeks. If you would like to ask me if your child is returning their homework throughout the week, please don't hesitate to call or send me a note.

I look forward to working with you to ensure that your child has a successful second grade year! If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me. The best time to reach me is after school from 3:05 until 3:50. I am available before school as well.

Coquille Valley Elementary School's Open House is on September 15<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:00. I hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

Alisha Wells