



## Second Grade Newsletter

March 10, 2017

### Important Reminders

Please remind your child to come to school dressed appropriately for the weather. Many are not wearing hats, gloves, or boots outside and are coming in frozen.

Family Literacy Night is March 15<sup>th</sup> from 5 P.M. to 7 P.M.- READ, READ, READ!! There are awesome prizes to be earned. (I wish I could earn some prizes!)

Remember to record the amount of time your child reads daily on the "green" Family Literacy Night sheet and return it on Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. The sheet has to be returned Tuesday.

### \*\*The Book Fair is here\*\*

Our class will be going to the Book Fair on Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-10:00. Please send money in an envelope with your child's name on it.



### Classroom News



A heads up...we are dealing with a bit too much "drama" on the playground and in the classroom. Please speak to your child about using their manners and being a friend to everyone. The disrupting, Tattling, fighting, and poor sportsmanship is getting out of hand. I have had to raise my voice more than usual this week. The Blurt Alert Behavior Chart will be in full force next week. If your child receives a note home than I have spoken to him/her more than I should have.

We are still working on our Graphs in Math. The students are doing a "Great" job! We will begin the next chapter in our Math books on measurement.

Students will continue to work on Front Row in Math and ELA in Language Arts.

Students need to read Animals Need to Eat and "Splish! Splash! Animal Baths. We will read/discuss animal needs, habitats, and adaptations. This is an AR test. Eleven students earned Quiet Critters this week! Wow-wee...I better get making more!!!

We will read about fast and slow changes that occur in nature. Students will use their reading strategies to search and find answers to questions given.

The students are working on opinion papers about Leprechauns and whether they tell the truth or fib. Their minds are quite creative!

Literacy Tips: Have students practice their spelling in clay, using magnetic letters, or typing them on a computer. Read with your child daily to ensure he/she is being fluent and understanding what is being read. Reading books and/or library books should be coming home to practice reading daily.

Math Tips: All students have been added to a new math program call "front row." Students can access the program from home and continue where they left off. The classroom code is 3s3trg. This is a great way to work on all skills learned thus far and MATH FACTS! All students need to work on addition and subtraction facts. Let's go second graders!!!



### Spelling words

way      away      meadow  
ball      balloon      explain  
play      display  
joy      enjoy

### Review words

Saddle      riddle

### High-Frequency words

area      money      piece



### Vocabulary Words

beasts: animals other than human beings

handy: something useful

itches: feelings on your skin that make you want to scratch

nibble: you bite something gently or take small bites of it

preen: when birds smooth their feather using their beaks



### What We're Learning

Reading: Book Clubs Leveled reader books - Students will test their comprehension by taking an AR Test after their book is finished

Animals Need to Eat pgs. 364-365 Splish! Splash! Animal Baths pgs. 367-387

Girls Against Boys by Phyllis Naylor I am reading this book to the students. We play a comprehension game for review and discuss the book thoroughly before the students take their quiz.

Spelling: vowel team syllables /ay/, /oo/, /oy/, /ai/, /ea/, & /ow/

Grammar: Pronouns & article (a, an & the)

Math: Measurement- ruler, yard stick, & measuring tape  
Please study the vocabulary words in this chapter.

Writing: Mechanics-sentence structure, proper spelling, & punctuation

Journal Writing: Opinion paper

Science: Natural Disasters / Landform changes

Social Studies: Landform changes- How the USA was formed

Computers: Type to Learn, Fact Dash, Front Row  
Word study, ELA- Reading/Comprehension



Thank you for all you do to make your child successful! You are the most important role model in your child's life.

Have a great weekend!

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