



# Mrs. Soucy's 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade News

## October 3, 2014

### Next Week:

#### Reading:

We have created our anchor papers needed to begin our reading response TIC TAC TOE board. Starting next week your child will read "everybody" books at their level and complete a variety of responses on these books. They will create papers based on the Favorite part of a book, connection to a book (either self-to-text, text-to-text or text-to-world), compare stories or characters within a book using a Venn Diagram, find interesting words within a book and complete a beginning, middle and end summary of a book.

We have completed our unit of study on Kevin Henkes, learning about friendships and how everyone is special!

We will move onto Frog and Toad books; we will continue learning about friendships building a community within the classroom. We will also begin comparing Fiction and Non-fiction text.

#### Writing

We will continue our Narrative Writing and personal responses. Throughout the Narrative Writing process we will continue working on understanding and identifying complete and incomplete sentences and the 4 different types of sentences Declarative (telling), Interrogative (Asking), Exclamatory (Excitement) and Imperative (Command). A great way to get your child to understand the difference is to have them practice writing with you and talking about the types of sentences that are being written,

#### Word Work:

New Word Study: Diphthongs sounds of -au/-aw and -ay (long a)

Target Words: away, may, play, say, saw, way, always, yesterday – assessment will be on Friday

#### Math:

We are continuing to focus on place value incorporating 4 digit numbers and understanding the value of thousands. We will continue incorporating number patterns, even and odd numbers and greater than, less than and equal to into our unit of study.

#### Science:

Our next unit of study will be the life cycle of a butterfly. We will also learn about the life cycle of a cat. Then we will move back to Social Studies learning about the different regions in Georgia and learning about the beginnings of Georgia.

### Important Dates:

- \*Fun Run Pledges – 10/3 -10/16
- \* Firehouse Subs Spirit Night – 10/6
- \* Teacher Workday – 10/13
- \*DCES Fun Run – 10/16
- \* Report Cards – 10/17
- \* ITBS Testing 10/20 – 10/24
- \* Picture Retakes – 10/30
- \* Character Dress-up Day – 10/31
- \*Fun Run Parties – 10/31



### Specials Schedule:

- Our specials are from 2:15 – 3:00 daily
- Monday – P.E.
  - Tuesday – Art.
  - Wednesday – Music
  - Thursday – STEM
  - Friday – P.E.
- \*\*Please remember to wear tennis shoes and bring a water bottle on P.E. days!

### DCES Fun Run Fundraiser

Duncan Creek's PTA will be sponsoring the second annual DCES Fun Run in the coming weeks. This is a very vital fundraiser for the 2014 - 2015 school years. Detailed information is included in today's Weekly Folder. Let's all make an effort to get as many pledges as possible to help raise funds for our school. PTA would love as much participation as possible. The monies raised will be put to good use, so pitch in your support for a wonderful cause. Thanks for all that you do!

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