



Mrs. Soucy's 2nd Grade News

September 26, 2014

Next Week:

Reading:

This will be our last week learning about Kevin Henkes. The books we have read are Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse, Chester's Way, Owen and Wemberly Worried. Next week we will focus on Shelia Rae the Brave, Julius Baby of The World, and Lilly's Big Day. As we read and discuss these books, we are building our anchor papers for reading responses that will help us grow as readers and writers. Some of the different types of responses are Favorite Part, Beginning, Middle and End and Comparing and Contrasting two stories or characters with in the story (Venn Diagram). These responses will also help us understand Author's purpose in writing.

Also, remember your child will be bringing home "their baggie books," Monday – Thursday. Please take a few minutes to listen and assist your child if needed while they are reading the baggie books. After listening to them read, ask them some questions from the letter that was sent home in your child's folder. Don't forget to record the book on the reading log. Please remember these books are returned every day.

Writing

We will continue our Narrative Writing for the rest of the 1st 9 weeks. 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

Math:

Place Value continues to be our main focus in Math. On Thursday there will be an assessment over 3 digit numbers focusing on expanded, standard, written forms and the value of the underline digit in a number. We will move into 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:

As we continue to learn about the different life cycles. We will wrap up our unit of study on frogs next week and there will be a test on Friday. Butterflies will be our next life cycle unit.

Important Dates:

- * Hat Day – 9/30
- * PTA Fuh Ruh Pep Rally – 10/2 from 1:30 – 2:15
- * Fuh Ruh Pledges – 10/3 -10/16
- * Firehouse Subs Spirit Night – 10/6
- * Teacher Workday – 10/13
- * DCES Fuh Ruh – 10/16
- * Report Cards – 10/17
- * ITBS Testing 10/20 – 10/24
- * Character Dress-up Day – 10/31
- * Fuh Ruh Parties – 10/31

Conferences:

I want to thank everyone that was able to attend their child's conference. I really enjoyed talking with everyone to share the growth of your child. 2nd grade can be a huge adjustment, but everyone has done a terrific job and they are starting to understand "ownership and responsibility." I cannot wait to see the growth everyone is going to make and speak with everyone again in February.

Specials Schedule:

Our specials are from 2:15 – 3:00 daily

Monday – STEM

Tuesday – P.E.

Wednesday – Art

Thursday – Music

Friday – STEM

**Please remember to wear tennis shoes and bring a water bottle on P.E. days!

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