



2nd Grade News

September 11th- September 15th

This Thursday is our Open House from 5:30-6:15. I will be giving a presentation about some of our classroom routines and procedures and you will also get to look around the room and admire some of your child's work. I encourage all of you to come out and see what we've been up to! I will also post the PowerPoint presentation on the class blog for anyone who is unable to attend. There will also be a short PTA meeting in the cafeteria immediately following our Open House from 6:20-6:35.

It's hard to believe, but Progress Reports go home this Friday! Remember, a progress report is designed to show you the type of progress that your child has been making, but it is not a final grade. We are only half way through the first 9 weeks of school so there is still plenty of time for growth! If you have a question/ concern about your child's grades, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Congratulations to last week's Principal's Award winner, Zarial!

Important Dates

Thursday, September 11th-
Open House- 2nd Grade 5:30-6:15

Friday, September 15th-
Progress Reports

Tuesday, September 19th-
Donuts with Dad/
Dads Take Your Child to School Day

Reading/ Language Arts

We are wrapping up our unit on the first 3 major literature reading standards: asking and answering questions about key details, recounting stories and determining their morals, and describing how characters respond to the major events and challenges. We will review everything we have learned and complete a cumulative task that will assess the students' level of understanding. The test will require students to read a fable and then ask and answer their own questions, recount it and write the moral, and describe a challenge and response. You can prepare your child at home by reading any fiction story.

For phonics, we will continue learning about the "magic e" at the end of words. We will also learn about the hard g (goat) and soft g (giant) sounds. A soft g comes before an e, i, or y.

In writing, we will learn how to write friendly letters so we can leave a special letter to our parents at Open House!
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Math

We are also wrapping up our first math unit of the school year on place value! We will work on comparing 3-digit numbers using the terms greater than, less than, and equal, as well as symbols (><=). Due to the hurricane, the date of our first math test is still up in the air. I will keep you posted.

Science & Social Studies

Due to iReady testing, we did not get to begin our new science unit on the properties of matter. We will start it this week instead.

In social studies, we will learn about Patriot Day in honor of September 11th. This is a day of service and remembrance and ties in perfectly with our character trait of the month: citizenship!