

Second Grade Newsletter

Week of November 12

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide you with some insight as to what is happening in our busy second grade classroom. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me by phone, email, or note.

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Upcoming Week Reminders:

Monday	November 19	
Tuesday	November 20	Memory
Wednesday	November 21	Thanksgiving break
Thursday	November 22	Thanksgiving break
Friday	November 23	Thanksgiving break

****Thanksgiving break is a great opportunity to have your second grader practice tying their shoes and zipping up their jackets.**

On Tuesday, Brian Niznansky from TMJ4 came to speak about weather.

*Please return the **Highlights** form attached to the newsletter this week, even if you do not want to order. We can get FREE items for the classroom simply by sending any form back. Thank you to those who have already returned this form.

***First and second grade will be doing Thanksgiving activities on Tuesday, November 20. We will be needing volunteers from 1:45-3:45. If you would be willing to spend your afternoon with us please let me know either by email or note.**

****Mark your calendars for December 12 at 7:00 pm for the Grades 1-4 Christmas Program.**

Literacy

A special thanks to all our Veterans! We learned about the branches of the Armed Forces and the history behind Veterans Day. This week we read *Click, Clack Moo* by Doreen Cronin. Our focus was on fantasy vs reality and how to make sentences more exact. We practiced making nouns plural which included sorting our spelling words. In writing we continued working on our stuffed animal writing by describing our friend with the use of similes. We are learning how to indent, use correct punctuation, and vary our word choice. Whew! It's a lot of work, but so worth it when they are all finished!

*There will be no spelling words for next week.

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Math

We practiced strategies for adding three numbers together and fact families. We also touched on subtraction.

Religion

Jesus walks on water and Jesus heals a sick boy were the two stories that remind us that we should rejoice for Jesus always has compassion on us. We should trust that Jesus is with us and we need not fear.

Art

We combined learning about Pilgrims with art by making miniature Mayflowers.

★★★with starting the Christmas program practice, we did not have a Brain Builder for the week.

Other News

Due to the short week, we will not have a newsletter next week. We will be learning about turkeys and the Pilgrims. **Also note that our reading log will be over a two week time span. Coming home is a math packet. If your child did not receive one, that means it has been completed in class. I would encourage you to work on this over break and return it by November 30.**

Mrs. Knoell and myself are blessed to have the opportunity to work with your second grader. We pray that you take this opportunity to enjoy the time with friends and family and to be thankful for the blessings big or small that the Lord has lovingly provided.