Second Grade Newsletter

Week of February 4

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: | | |
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| Monday | February 11 | Zoo to You in school field trip 10:00 am |
| Tuesday | February 12 | Memory |
| Wednesday | February 13 | Chapel |
| Thursday | February 14 | Memory, library books due, Jump Rope for Heart, |
| | | Spelling test, return reading and math log, Valentine's |
| | | Day Party, Scholastic book order due |
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Scholastic book orders will be due on Thursday, February 14

February 15

Thank you to all those who participated in V.I.P Day. It was great to have our special guests join us for a fun-filled morning. Thanks to all the dancing feet to make the Father/Daughter dance a huge success!

No school

*We will be heart healthy on February 14 and enjoy a morning of exercise stations. If your second grader would like to CHANGE into shorts for this activity they may. We also encourage you to wear a red shirt. In the afternoon, we will be having our Valentine's Day party. During our streak of cold days, I emailed a class list, but in your home folders you will find a paper copy.

**We will be going to Peter Pan in South Milwaukee on Friday, February 22 at 11:45 pm. We extend this invite to chaperones. Unfortunately, only five are able to come with us. Please see the form in the folder. The cost of the chaperone is \$7.00.

Literacy

Friday

This week we read an informative story about penguin chicks. We are reviewing main idea and details. To get back into the swing of things, we practiced our spelling words a little extra this week. We started our Tacky play. This simply means that we practiced reading the parts and worked on staying focused, so we were ready to read. This sounds simple, but it was actually a challenging task. I stressed the importance of listening and being focused when we practice. Please encourage your second grader to listen, not only during play time, but during the day as well.

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Math

With our first full week back after several cold/snow days we reviewed before we took our Chapter 4 test. Chapter 5 begins subtraction. We learned how to break apart numbers to subtract and practiced subtracting 10 from two and three digit numbers.

Science

This week we are working on a cooperative group activity which requires students to put animals in the correct habitat and also to draw a picture of this habitat. It also incorporates our writing skills. The groups must come up with three adjectives to describe each habitat.

<u>Religion</u>

This week we read about Jesus at the home of Mary and Martha and how we are often like Martha. Unfortunately, we also get distracted and forget to put Jesus first. In our second story, *The Widow's Mite*, we are reminded that we need to repent of times when we are selfish for God shows His love for us when Jesus unselfishly died on the cross to take away our sins.

Art

We started our penguin on an iceberg art. This will take several steps, so be patient until it is displayed in the hallway. Thank you to all who came to the Art Fair. Your second grader did a great job on their stained glass window from Italy!

Peter Pan Field Trip Form

Unfortunately, we are only able to bring five chaperones with us for this field trip. For this reason, please return your form promptly if you wish to join us.

What: Peter Pan

When: Friday, February 22 Leaving at 10:45 am Return: 2:00 pm

Where: South Milwaukee

Cost: \$7 per chaperone (students are covered)

| Please return the bottom section |
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| is able to attend Peter Pan. |
| Yes, I would like to go to NeverLand with the second graders. |
| Please indicate who will be attending this event with us. |