

# Second Grade Newsletter

Week of Jan. 8

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	January 15	Book orders due
Tuesday	January 16	Memory
Wednesday	January 17	Chapel
Thursday	January 18	Memory
Friday	January 19	Spelling test, math and reading logs due

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\* St. John's does have school on Monday, January 15th. We do not have the day off. Please refer to the school calendar for the days we do have scheduled off for the rest of the school year. This can be found on the school website. - [stjohnsracine.org](http://stjohnsracine.org)

\*\*\*Save the Dates: January 21-26 is Lutheran Schools Week. We will start the week off singing at the 10:15 Sunday, January 21st service. We will also have a VIP day on Friday, January 26th. Students may invite their VIPs to visit St. John's from 8:50 am -12:00 pm. Please refer to the letter that was sent home for the list of events for our special week.

\*Each family will need to RSVP (yes or no) to the email Miss Hoffmann sent out earlier this week through [signupgenius.com](http://signupgenius.com). You do not need to RSVP for your student. Just indicate the number of VIP family members attending.

## Library and computer

This week we practiced homographs, sentences, and compound words.

## Literacy

Our first full week back was a busy one! We read *Mr. Tanen's Tie Trouble* and made our own personal ties to represent us. With this story we focused on homographs and learned about the genre, realistic fiction. We also reviewed story structure. The "more you give the more you get" was a phrase used in the story. We talked about how our hearts feel when we give without being asked. For writing, we worked on an introduction that would hook our reader. We then completed our writing with our final copies of how to eat an oreo.

**Math**

We continue to practice two-digit subtraction with and without regrouping. We first used ones and tens to model subtraction and then we continued this skill without modeling our work. Please help your second grader with their subtraction facts. This will prove to be very helpful as we go through this chapter. We will be doing 2's next week. The goal is to do 30 facts in 2 minutes. The time will decrease as we learn more facts.

**Social Studies**

This week we talked about traditions, ancestors, and customs. It was fun to hear what you do outside of the school walls!

**Religion**

From the story about the baptism of Jesus, we learned about the Triune God and how we need Jesus to take our sins away. In our second story, Jesus calls His Disciples, we are reminded to tell others about Jesus, the Messiah.