



2nd Grade “Matters”

November 11-November 15

Classroom Information

Brrrrrrr.....It's cold. Several students are not prepared for outside recess. Please make sure to send a coat with your child. We do go outside if the weather permits.

The PTO will have a meeting on November 12 at 3:00. We would love for you to attend and be a part of our PTO.

Please continue to work on fluency at home as much as possible. Try to find some time to read the weekly reader story shortly after it is sent home while it is still fresh in your child's mind. They aren't actually tested over the story, just some of the skills that are taught using the story.

Students are practicing math facts at school and should continue to do so at home as well. You can purchase math fact cards at our local dollar store or make some of your own.

Spelling List: (Compound Words)

weekend backyard snowman driveway inside
raindrop bathtub mailbox firefly railroad

High Frequency Words: country city school

Weekly Learning

This is a reading review week. There is no actual reading piece. We will however be reading some informational articles about nature's patterns. We will also continue to work on a fact-based paragraph about an animal that migrates for our writing piece.

Author's purpose and ask and answer questions continue to be the unit focus skills.

The **vocabulary words** are from the academic vocabulary component of our new series are as follows:

behavior identify design similar evidence

The **spelling word focus is compound words**. Please study the words for **Friday's** test. Everyone should be getting a good grade on their spelling test. We only have 13 words right now. Please study them with your child if they are not studying the words at home.

In **English**, we will review the noun lessons from the last 5 weeks. We have covered singular/plural, common/proper, possessives, irregulars and collective nouns.

In **Math**, we have officially started Chapter 4 on regrouping with 2-digit subtraction problems otherwise known as borrowing. This is going slow as many students are struggling with the steps to the process and especially understanding the reasoning for the process. This is usually a hard concept to master. As always, review papers that come home. In **Social Studies**, we will use some of our Scholastic News articles for the month for our learning.

Helpful Hints

Have a special place that your child can keep their backpack so that you may check it daily with them. Reviewing papers that come home is always a good way to help your child. Pay attention to the mistakes and go over them whenever possible. This will help your child remember not to make the same errors and is a good way to review the lessons each week. Please check to see if your child has homework on a daily basis. Usually there is always homework on Monday through Thursday unless our schedule is changed drastically. Please remember to return library books on Wednesdays. We receive classroom spots for rewards when things are returned in a timely manner. Thank you for all you do.