



2nd Grade “Matters”

November 18-November 22

Classroom Information

Whew! We survived another week of learning 2-digit subtraction with regrouping (borrowing). It seems to be coming together now. It is very important that your child is at school, on time if he/she isn't sick. There are so many times we practice skills and learn new concepts that build upon each other. When there are absences, it is very hard to stay on track.

Some important upcoming events are approaching. The Attendance Committee is selling Smencils (scented pencils) for \$1 each next week until they are sold out. Thanksgiving Break is November 27-29th. All Pro Dads is on December 10th. The Christmas Music Program is December 17th at 6:00. December 18th is the Grinch House from 2:30-4:30. Christmas parties are December 19th. Please send a message in your child's folder if you would like to donate something for the party. Christmas Break begins on December 23rd and students return on January 6th.

A classroom gift exchange is planned for our party. Students may purchase a gift between \$3 to \$5. Boys will purchase a boy gift and girls will purchase a girl gift. I will remind you closer to time.

Please continue to read as much as possible and practice math facts. Math facts are so important to have memorized for future use in all areas of math.

Spelling List: Long i: (i, ie, i-e, igh, and y)

try tried spy spied tonight

dimes strike spider pirate delight

High Frequency Words: earth thought eyes

Weekly Learning

Our reading lesson focus is fables. It is a collection of three fables. The skill is **identifying the theme**.

The **Vocabulary Words** are as follows:

rage hopes alarmed contentment disappointments

The meanings/definitions of these words are tested weekly on the weekly reading test.

The **Spelling** word phonics skill is **long i: i, ie,i-e,igh,y 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. Please study them with your child if they are not studying the words at home. We do some practice at school, but sometimes it is not enough for struggling students.

In **English**, we will begin studying **present tense verbs** and how they are used in a sentence.

In **Math**, we have officially completed Chapter 4, but will review it to keep it fresh since it has been difficult for many. We will review on Monday and test on Tuesday. As always, review papers that come home. We will move on to Chapter 5 which teaches **place value with numbers to 1000 skills**. Ask your child if they have completed their numbers

to 1000 and when they are going to. This was assigned at the beginning of the year and is to be worked on during periodic times throughout the day when time is available. There are only 5 students that have met this challenge. If it is not completed by Christmas vacation, it will be sent home to do over the break. In **Social Studies, Health, and Science** we will continue to use some Scholastic News lessons on current topics trending.

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.