

This is a class of writers!

Ms. Turcot's Second Grade Newsletter

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Dear Family and Friends,

This week, I was out of the classroom on Wednesday so that I could read with students individually. This allowed me to understand and learn what each of the student's independent reading level is. This will help me as I construct reading lessons as well as develop guided reading groups. I am proud of how hard they each worked!

Reading Workshop

In Reading Workshop, we began learning how to choose "Just Right Books" and knowing when books are too hard or not challenging enough. We discussed how to stay focused on a book when our minds wander and we get off track from what we are reading. Ask your child how they stay on task with what they are reading.

Writing Workshop

This is a class of focused writers! They have so many ideas to put on paper and they enjoy sharing what they have written with others. We discussed how we need to spell the best we can and move on when we come to words we do not know how to spell. We also brainstormed ideas for what to write about when we are stuck as well as what do when we are finished a story.

Everyday Math

In math we explored number grids and discovered how we can use them to find patterns and numbers that are more or less than a given number. We also reviewed how we can create several addition and subtraction facts when trying to reach a certain number. We practiced using calculators as well.

Other Important Information

On Monday, students will be getting math and word study homework in addition to their reading logs. The amount of math will vary each week. I am starting with only one sheet of math so that they can gradually get into the routine of second grade math homework. If you have not turned in the peanut allergy form yet, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

September 23, 2009:
Visiting International Students from St. Michael's College

September 25, 2009:
Book Orders Due

September 29, 2009:
Open House and Curriculum Night
6:30-7:30 PM



We started chess with Mr. Mills. We will have chess every Monday.

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