

Mrs. Dunklee's Class

2nd Grade Weekly Newsletter

Week of December 5-9

Dates to Remember

Dec. 6 – Early Release

Dec. 14 - OTMS Jazz Band Concert at 1:30

Dec. 20th – Winter Party Dismiss at 11:45

News From the Teacher

- Students have a geography test on Thursday. A study guide went home on Friday. Please work with your child on completing this study guide so he/she will be prepared for the test.
- We are starting a letter writing unit next week. An important part of this unit is that the student knows his/her address and phone number. If your child does not know his/her full address and phone number, please work with him/her at home. These are important pieces of information that every child should know. Thank you!

Schedule & Agenda

Please make sure you check your child's "P.A.N.T.H.E.R Binder" for daily reminders and assignments! Below is just a "general" activities schedule! **Don't forget to read for 20 minutes each night.**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Day: E	Day: A	Day: B	Day: C	Day: D
PE/Music BEAR Log Due	Library Art Early Release	Computer/REAL Math Fact Quiz	Spanish/PE Spelling Test Geography Test	Music/Spanish
HW: Math Review	HW: No HW	HW: Math 9-1	HW: Math 9-2	

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Spelling Words

Weekly List

1. Person
2. First
3. Burn
4. Learn
5. Shirt
6. Serve
7. Stir
8. Nurse
9. Earth
10. Heard

Challenge List

1. Virtues
2. Return
3. Learning
4. Earthquake
5. General
6. Suburb
7. Service
8. Lecture
9. Confirmed
10. Nervous

Reading: Community Life

Our new theme in reading is *Community Life*. Throughout this theme students will be learning the social studies concepts of natural resources, basic needs, goods and services, and the growth and changes of communities. Please help your child relate to the following focus question: **How does a community meet its people's needs?**

Skills:

- Phonics: au, aw, al sound; 3-letter blends str, spr, scr, sp
- Word Study: Adding -s and -es Verb Endings
- Comprehension Strategy: Monitor Comprehension
- Comprehension Skill: Identify Fantasy and Realism
- Vocabulary Strategy: Synonyms
- Grammar: Verbs for Present and Past

Math: Adding 2-Digit Numbers

This week, students will conclude Topic 8: Adding 2-Digit Numbers. Students will review of Monday and have a test over Topic 8 on Tuesday, December 6th. We will then begin Topic 9: Subtracting 2-Digit Numbers. Students will regroup 1 ten for 10 ones, use models to subtract, and subtract two and one digit numbers.

Social Studies: Geography

This week we will conclude our Social Studies unit on geography. This week we will discuss continents and oceans. **Students will have a geography test on Thursday, December 8th. A study guide was sent home on Friday. Please use it to prepare for the test.**

Writing: Letter Writing

Students will begin a unit on letter writing this week. Students will learn the parts of a letter, how to address an envelope, why we write letters, and the correct way to punctuate a letter.