

Mrs. Dunklee's Class

2nd Grade Weekly Newsletter

Week of September 5th-9th

Dates to Remember

- Sept. 5th – No School
- Sept. 7th – PTO Skating Party 4-6
- Sept. 8th – MAP Testing for Math
- Sept. 13th – Early Release
- Sept. 16th – Constitution Day
- Sept. 23rd – ½ Day for Students

News From the Teacher

- Homework- Students have been doing a great job with homework so far! Next week, we will add one more component. Below is an overview of our weekly homework schedule:
 - Math homework sent home each night a new topic is covered.
 - BEAR Logs are due every Monday. Students should read 100 minutes each week.
 - Spelling tests are given on Thursdays. Students should study their words at home during the week.
 - Math fact practice sheet will be sent home on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Students will be given a timed math fact quiz each Wednesday.

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: No School	Day: C Spanish/PE	Day: D Music/Spanish Timed Math Fact Quiz	Day: E PE/Music Spelling Test	Day: A Art Library Day
	HW: Math 2-6	HW: Math 2-7	HW: Math Review Packet	Math Test on Topic 2

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Spelling Words

Spelling Pattern: Short Vowels

Weekly List

1. Tape
2. Name
3. Plate
4. Grade
5. Shake
6. Ride
7. Bike
8. Fine
9. Smile
10. Nice

Challenge List

1. States
2. Write
3. Entire
4. Place
5. Scrape
6. Cupcake
7. Inside
8. Title
9. Invite
10. Decorate

Reading: All Around Town

Our new theme in reading is *My Roles*. Throughout this theme, students will be learning the humanities concepts related to the roles they play at home, at school, and in their community, as well as the roles they may have in the future. Please help your child relate to the following focus question: **What are my roles at school?**

Skills:

- Phonics: Long I and Silent Letters gn, mb, kn, wr
- Word Study: Contractions
- Vocabulary Strategy: Use a Dictionary
- Comprehension Strategy: Determine Important Information
- Comprehension Skill: Determine Author's Purpose
- Grammar: Statements and Questions

Math: Addition Strategies

This week we will finish Topic 2: Addition Strategies. Students will practice making 10 to add and problem solving. **Students will have a test over Topic 2 on Friday, September 9th.** We will begin fact fluency tests after Labor Day. Students should be practicing their math facts at home. They can do this on the computer or with flash cards.

Science: Materials and Their Uses

This week students will investigate, describe, and classify properties of materials.

Writing: Writer's Workshop

This week we will continue talking about the writing process that we use in Writer's Workshop. We will also begin talking about the traits of writing.