



Classroom News!



Mrs. Murphy 2nd Grade Class

Week of: 1-22-18

Teacher's Note:

This week the students had a blast creating videos on SeeSaw. They love how they can share their learning with you at home. If possible, please leave comments or click the "heart" button so they know you watched their video. We will be putting more videos on as we get more experience working with the app. Thank you for all your help with this.

Upcoming Dates:

- Jan 31: Mrs. Murphy's Birthday
- Jan 31: PBIS assembly
- Jan 29-Feb. 2: Jump Rope For Heart
- Feb 7: PTO meeting at 3:45pm
- Feb 7: Student council meeting
- Feb 9: Kohls Wild Theater assembly
- Feb 9: Popcorn Day

This week...

Reader's workshop: This week in reader's workshop we discussed the importance of understanding our characters. We notice when characters change and we can get to know our characters by discovering how their voices sound. We also discussed what to do when we encounter a tricky expression or idiom. For example, when Junie B Jones' mother says, "Your stomach is a bottomless pit," we need to stop and ask ourselves, "what does the author mean?"

writer's workshop: This week in writer's workshop we finished our non-fiction unit. Students added glossaries and cover pages to their work. On Thursday and Friday students completed a post test to show all their knowledge on information writing. Next up... realistic fiction writing!

Math: This week in math we worked on proportions. We used the story Jim and the Beanstalk to help us understand the size of items compared to other objects. We will be taking the post unit 4 test next week.

Science: This week in science we wrapped up our google presentations on nutrition. We will be sharing our presentations with each other soon. Students are very proud of their digital work! Our next science unit is solids, liquids, and gases.

Student Spotlight!

This week we learned more about Emmie. Emmie loves dolphins and cheetahs. When she grows up she wants to be an author and illustrator! We loved her show and tell items, especially the book about her sweet dog.

Next week we will be celebrating Bella!

Reminders:

Valentine's Day is coming up! I will be sending home a class list today to help your child fill out their valentines. In the next few days, I will create a sign-up genius for our party. If you would like to contribute to our Valentine's Day party, please sign up for an item. Thank you for all your help with this.

I am sending home all the kids' snow apparel due to the "smelliness" in the halls. If you could please wash your child's snow apparel and return next week, it would be greatly appreciated.

