



# Classroom News!



Mrs. Murphy 2nd Grade Class

Week of: 1-29-18

## Teacher's Note:

This week we had an assembly about kindness. 5th grade presented to the school about how they celebrate kindness. We are hoping to meet our school goal of kindness by celebrating with beach day and a dance party in the gym.

## Upcoming Dates:

- Feb 7: PTO meeting at 3:45pm
- Feb 7: Student council meeting
- Feb 9: Kohl's Wild Theater assembly
- Feb 9: Popcorn Day
- Feb 19: NO SCHOOL
- Feb 20: NO SCHOOL - Optional PT conferences

## This week...

Reader's workshop: This week in Reader's workshop we focused on our characters and how they change in our books. We described how our characters are feeling in our books and why they are feeling they way they are. We also examined the lessons of books and talked about why authors write books. There can be multiple different lessons within one book!

Writer's workshop: This week in writer's workshop we created realistic fiction characters and came up with different "troubles" our characters are going to get into. Based on our own experiences, we can set up small moment stories for our characters. Students are having a great time thinking about the dilemmas their characters are going to get into.

Math: This week in math we wrapped up unit 4. Students took a post test and demonstrated their understanding of measurement. Unit 5 focuses on numbers to 1,000!

Science: This week we started a new unit! Students will spend the next month learning about solids, liquids, and gases. We learned about the different characteristics of the states of matter. Students completed a sorting activity where they placed different objects into the specified categories.

## Student Spotlight!

This week we learned more about Bella. Bella used to live in Oklahoma! She loves pizza and wants to be a lawyer when she grows up.

Next week we will be celebrating Simon!

## Reminders:

With only one evening of conferences being offered instead of two like in the fall, conferences were not requested this time for every family. If you did not receive a link from me to sign up but would like to discuss your child's progress or any concerns, please let me know and we can find a time to discuss your concerns.

