



Classroom News!



Mrs. Murphy 2nd Grade Class

Week of: 10-9-17

Teacher's Note:

Thanks to those of you who are signed up for parent/teacher conferences. If you have not already, please sign up for parent/teacher conferences either October 24 or November 20 on [Sign Up Genius](#).

Upcoming Dates:

October 17: Picture Retake Day
October 20: Spooktacular
October 22: Fun Run
October 24: Parent Teacher Conferences
October 26-27: No School for students
November 10: Popcorn Day
November 20: Parent Teacher Conferences

This week...

Reader's workshop: In Reader's workshop this week, we have been focusing on our word solving strategies skills. We have reviewed some of our previously learned strategies and have kept track of the ones we use the most. We are pushing ourselves to be the best readers we can be.

Writer's workshop: Writer's workshop is focusing on making our stories even better. We have added to and changed our stories. We tried out different types of beginnings to hook our readers and different endings to polish off our pieces.

Math: We have begun a unit on place value this week. Students have counted pieces of pasta and put them into groups of tens and ones. We also used Unifix cubes in groups of tens and ones. Students are really beginning to understand the concept and we will dive further into place value next week!

Social Studies: We reviewed our unit about different communities - urban, suburban, and rural. The students finished their creations of what it looks like outside their window in the suburban community. They are making our hallway beautiful.

Student Spotlight!

This week we learned about Maria. She loves the color green, eating pizza, and Junie B. Jones books. She has been to Bermuda and Norway!

Next week we will be celebrating Caiden!

Reminders:

Student council is sponsoring a Food Drive for the St. Alphonsus Food Pantry serving the Greendale community. Their shelves have been on the low side the past couple of months so they are a little desperate for donations.

Some items to consider are: cereal / oatmeal, tuna, spaghetti/pasta noodles and spaghetti sauce, rice, canned vegetables, canned fruit, soup, mac-n-cheese, canned chicken or ham, peanut butter and jelly.

