

Second Grade Newsletter

Friday, July 27, 2018

Dear Families,

This week in second grade we have worked on our time capsule. We will be sealing it off on Monday and we will save it to open on the last day of second grade. We also have begun our next thematic unit of study which is maps and globes. I love to begin the year with maps and globes because we will use these skills throughout the year. We will build on these skills to gain a better understanding of our city, our state, our country, and our world. If you have any maps at home that you would like to donate to the class we will begin a map collection on Monday. Places you've been, cities, states, countries, zoos, amusement parks, hiking trails, or any other map you can think of would be great for our collection.

In math we continued working on basic addition strategies and we've also begun looking at basic subtraction strategies. We will continue this next week. We will then move into some review of other skills from last year in order to help us be ready for the big math concepts that are coming soon.

In language arts we are building on our independent reading stations. We are also learning about things that good readers, good writers, good listeners, and good speakers do. We are continuing our beginning of the year individualized assessments that will help plan small group and individual instruction in reading, writing, phonics skills, and spelling skills. We have been enjoying checking out books from our class library, reading them, and completing book reviews. We also are continuing to enjoy the book Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl.

-Ms. Kelli

Questions to Ask Your Child:

- What are the similarities and differences between maps and globes?
- What is the purpose of a map and a globe?
- How are addition and subtraction related?
- Tell me about your reading stations.
- What is happening in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory?

Announcements:

- Parent teacher conference day will be Friday, August 17th. No school for kids. Info will come home soon.
- Teacher inservice will be Friday, August 24th. No school for kids.
- ETSU classes will begin on Monday, August 27th. Be ready for heavy traffic!
- No school on Labor Day which is Monday, September 3rd.
- I will not be here on Wednesday, August 1st, but second grade will have a great day with Mr. Oliver and a sub. I'm sorry!

