This Week in Second Grade

2/24/14

**Math**

Chapter 5 started with multiplication. This week we’ll finish the lesson on division. Have your child studying their math facts with flash cards or on [www.XtraMath.com](http://www.XtraMath.com). Also use [www.thinkcentral.com](http://www.thinkcentral.com) for even more information!

**Reading**

We will continue our new theme this week: Amazing Animals. We will start the new story: *Ant.* It is a nonfiction story in which we will focus on asking questions as we read. Each child will also continue working on individual needs in our small reading groups.

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***Classroom Wish List***

* Classroom Snacks
* Individual Pencil Sharpeners



**Science/Social Studies**

*Science* – Physical Science. Students will be learning about the properties of a solid, liquid, and a gas.

*Social Studies* – We will be looking at maps. We will identify and read different types of maps.

**Writing**

We have read and studied informational texts together and now it’s our turn! This week we’ll be starting our own informational texts. Ask your child what topic they decided on and see if together you can brainstorm mini-topics to write about.

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Conferences

Parent Teacher conferences are scheduled for Thursday and Friday. It is always important for parents to be involved and I encourage each of you to come with questions and concerns. If you are unsure about your time, please call the office during school hours or e-mail me.

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Mrs. Taylor, our music teacher, is hosting a musical performance March 20th at 6:30 in the High School Auditorium. Please return permission slips ASAP and invite the whole family! For more information visit: [www.vowlesmusic.weebly.com](http://www.vowlesmusic.weebly.com).

Musical Performance

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* Tuesday, February 25th at 5:30 – PTO Meeting in the Library
* Wednesday, February 26th – 100th Day of School!!
* Thursday, February 27th – ½ day for students: PT Conferences
* Friday, February 28th – no school: PT Conferences

For the 100th Day of School, I ask that your child bring in a collection of 100 small items. The goal is to see if together you can come up with a unique way to display the 100 items! Make sure to ask your child how Ms. G displayed hers on Wednesday…it’s a surprise!

Please be aware of district policy regarding absences:

* The teacher/school needs a doctor’s note to be an excused absence
* After 5 unexcused absences a letter will be sent home

For the full policy, please ask for a copy from Ms. Gorsegner.

District Policy

100th Day of School

Classroom Website

[www.melissagorsegner.weebly.com](http://www.melissagorsegner.weebly.com)

* Math curriculum explanation and links to math website
* Spelling words for the new unit and links to activities
* Pictures of our year
* Links for students and parents

Remind 101

I am currently using Remind 101 to send out reminder text messages to anyone interested. To sign up, send the message **@msgorse** to the number **810-545-4879**.