



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade NEWS!

Week: January 25, 2010

### \*Weekly Notes

It was so nice to see everyone at the open house. Thank you to all parents and students who worked so hard on Sunday to make it a wonderful success! The children were excited for you to come and visit our classroom and to see all our new robotic friends. We will be using them for a few activities this week including a journal activity since we do not have a reading journal assignment. I hope the robot building was a positive experience. The children are very proud of their creations.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> graders are doing a great job with their library books. It is important to keep reading with your child. It is also important for you to ask questions about the story as they are reading. I am focusing on their comprehension skills and would find it beneficial if you would take a few minutes and ask your child about their library book. After the children read to me in the library, I ask them to retell what they have just read and for some, they are still developing this skill. This would be good practice for all.

This quarter, I would like to make sure that math facts are memorized. It would be helpful if you would quiz your children on addition and subtraction facts 1-10. I will be giving quick quizzes (timed tests) to see how they are doing. With busy schedules, sometimes it is easiest to quiz kids in the car. With my own children, we would play a game using traffic lights. We would see how many facts they could get right before the light changed colors.

We will be starting regrouping with subtraction (borrowing) soon and multiplication will not be far behind. Knowing the math facts will make it so much easier for the students.

#### Monday:

Spelling packet  
Phys. Ed.  
Great Kid folders  
Star of the week! Nick Moore  
Happy Birthday! Megan Nichols

#### Tuesday:

Music  
Reading journals due from 1/19  
Library – Pick your own your book week  
Book reports are optional  
No journal assignment this week

#### Wednesday:

Phonics test has been moved to today  
Computer  
Art  
Atrium

#### Thursday:

Sharing Day – one small item to use for a writing assignment

#### Friday:

Spelling test  
Phys. Ed.  
Mass 1:15

Catholic Schools Week starts on Sunday.

