

## Monday, February 1, 2016

Dear 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Families,

I hope you enjoyed your weekend. Please read below what we will be doing in second grade!

### Notes and Reminders...

\*Second graders will have a Valentine's Day exchange on Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. After the party, the children will pass out their Valentines. If your child chooses to bring in Valentine's cards, please make sure to have a card for EVERYONE in our class! Please have your child write only their name on the Valentine. Do not write their classmate's name on the Valentine.

### Important Dates

- \*Jump Rope for Heart on 2/10/16.
- \*Red and Pink Spirit Day 2/12/16.
- \*Valentine's Party 2/12/16.
- \*Midwinter Break 2/15/16 – 2/19/16
- \*Classes Resume 2/22/16.
- \*Student Council meeting 2/24/16.
- \*Variety Show dress rehearsal for grades 3-5 2/29/16.
- \*\*Check for flyers coming home with your student this week for more information.

### Homework:

- \*New word sorts are coming home this week, the homework paper is due 2/12/16. Please also make sure your child is reading for 20 minutes and practicing his or her math facts each night.
- \* Jump Rope for Heart Liability Waiver is due before 2/10/16.

### This week in...

Reading: We will continue to explore expository nonfiction. We will work to use the comprehension strategy of wondering to help make sense of nonfiction text.

Writing: Last week, the students wrapped up their realistic fictions and had a publishing celebration. We will begin exploring writing about what we are reading in our next writing unit. Students will work to write letters about the books that they are reading.

Science: We continue to explore air and weather! We will discover that air occupies space and can be compressed. They will work to explain how air can propel a balloon-rocket system.

Math- Please refer to your child's specific math teacher's Family Letter for information pertaining to that classroom.