



Second Grade Scoop



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Mark Your Calendars...

- 4/15 – No School (P/T Conferences)
- 4/18 – No School (Collaboration Day)
- 4/26 – Visit from Fire Department
- 5/4 – Field Trip

Specials Schedule

- Monday – Tech. & P.E.
- Tuesday – Library & Music
- Wednesday – P.E.
- Thursday – Music
- Friday – Art

Spring Conferences

I will be holding spring conferences on May 13th. I've emailed parents that I want/need to meet with. If you haven't received an email but would like to meet please contact me. If you have questions or concerns please include these in the email

Reading/Writing

Every few weeks we learn a new CORE saying. The students then try to relate the latest saying to something else we are talking about in class. I also love when they find a saying in a book they are reading. Here are the some of sayings we have learned so far this year:

- Cold feet
- Two heads are better than one
- You can't teach a dog new tricks
- Get a taste of your own medicine

Math

Students began Unit 11 this week. Unit 11 focuses on whole-number operations. The first two lessons of this unit extend addition and subtraction operations by applying them to amounts of money expressed in decimal notations. The rest of the unit focuses on extending multiplication and division operations to a more symbolic and formal level. All the goals this unit are *developing*:

- Estimate and solve addition and subtraction number stories with dollars and cents.
- Solve 1-digit multiplication stories.
- Solve equal grouping and equal sharing division stories.
- Multiply numbers with 2, 5 or 10 as a factor.
- Complete multiplication/division fact families.

CORE

Life Cycles is our current science unit. The caterpillars arrived this week and the students are watching them very intently each day hoping to see change. So far we have noticed them eating and growing - nothing too exciting. It will be about 10 days before we see major change. Through the three week cycle students will be learning about:

- What a Cycle is
- Condensation and Evaporation
- Types of Clouds
- The Water Cycle
- Parts of a Plant
- Life Cycle of a Frog
- Life Cycle of a Chicken
- The Seasons

Good Luck to Ben, Addie & Joshua who are competing in the state OM competition Saturday in Loveland.

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