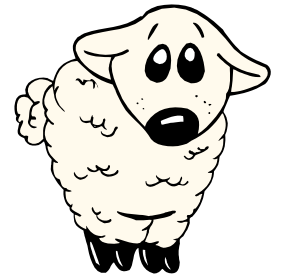




# Second Grade March Newsletter



## Reading

In reading, we will continue to practice for the Terra Nova II test. We will also Read to be Informed and Read for Literary Experience. The students will write Brief Constructed Responses and respond to informational text. We will be learning about the characteristics of Fairy Tales, Folktales, Tall Tales, and Biographies. Students will work in the computer lab to produce a digital project on their biographies. Students will then have the opportunity to view the class products during a gallery walk.

## Math

We will complete our Unit 4A on fractions and begin our Unit 4B on measurement. (see the attached for objectives)

## Science

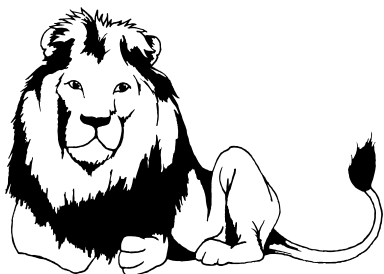
In Science, we will conclude our unit on liquids. Students should complete their Ocean in a Bottle project and bring it to school by March 9<sup>th</sup>.

## Writing

During this quarter we will write to persuade and write a friendly letters. The students will continue to use graphic organizers, write a topic sentence, and develop supporting sentences.

## Homework

Please continue to have your child read for fifteen minutes a day as part of their daily homework. Spelling and D.O.L. should be practiced a little every night for better retention. Reading Calendars are due the first day of the following month. Please return homework packets on Friday with a parent's signature.



**Look on the back**

## **Terra Nova**

The Terra Nova is a standardized test that all second grade children will take. We have been using our Scoring High books in class to practice test taking strategies. We anticipate that the test will consist of reading comprehension, language mechanics, vocabulary, and a variety of math topics. Some math topics that are not covered in class until after the Terra Nova test are money, time, and multiplication. It may be helpful if some of these topics are reviewed at a basic level and worked on at home. We do not want our students to feel pressure about the test they only need to do their best. We want them to feel as prepared as possible to use the strategies they've already learned.

## **Supplies**

Many students are running out of school supplies. Please replenish your child's supplies for his/her pencil box. Supplies that are running low for many children are pencils, erasers, glue sticks, and crayons. Please check with your child to see what they need.

## **Request**

Some students have been wearing perfume/cologne to school. Please do not send your children to school wearing these items. Many children and staff members have severe allergies or asthma complications due to these items.

## **Important Dates**

March 9<sup>th</sup> – Ocean in a Bottle projects are due

March 30<sup>th</sup> - Professional Day – no school for students

March 31<sup>st</sup> – Jump Rope for Heart