

2nd Grade News

October 19, 2011

Reading

Students have been focusing on many skills and strategies related to non-fiction text.

Skills, such as pin-pointing the main idea in a passage, comparing the main ideas between two passages, and using text features to locate important information, have been covered. We are also working on various strategies to use when encountering content-area vocabulary or difficult words.

Math

In addition to place value, we are continuing our focus on graphing. Students are continuing to compile and represent data in many forms, such as: tally charts, bar graphs, and picture graphs. Students are then using questioning to interpret the data. In addition, students have been introduced to “add to” and “take from” word problems, in which they solve equations with a missing number.

Science

Students are focusing on identifying and describing various landforms of continents. Students will be able to identify natural features of the ocean floor. Students will create layered landform books of Earth’s features and create 3-dimensional models of landforms.

Writing

We have been writing personal narratives by “zooming in” on small moments that have happened in our lives. During writing conferences, we are focusing on adding vibrant adjectives, verbs, and transition words, we well as using correct punctuation and grammar.

Halloween Reminder

Our Halloween celebration will be on October 28th. The parade will begin at 1:45 and classroom parties will begin at 2:05.

Only parents participating in classroom parties will be allowed to stay after the parade.

