



Miss Johnson

SECOND GRADE SCOOP



Room 6

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Hello! I wanted to thank you for a great turnout at Back to School Night! It was wonderful seeing both new and familiar faces! We had a lot of information to cover, so thanks for hanging in there as I talked at light speed!! I am sorry I didn't get to talk to each of you individually. I hope I will get the chance to talk with you at the Springer Picnic next week! I am sending this newsletter in a paper copy this week, as well as through email. If you do not receive an email today, please let me know so I can make sure you are on the list! Next week I will send it solely through email...

Week at a Glance:

Math--This week we reviewed our procedures for 5-A-Day. This is our daily independent review of math concepts and math reasoning. The students are better able to master the math standards because they are reviewed many times throughout the year. We also worked on skip counting and math facts. Please practice math facts at home (flash cards are great!) to help students memorize them! We reviewed the hundreds' chart and worked as a class to show different ways to skip count to 100!

Star of the Week--The class will be getting a chance to write special letters to each Star of the Week. This week we modeled letter writing format and the students practiced writing a Star of the Week letter to me. We are working on writing compliments and asking meaningful questions that will help them to write caring letters.

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Nate the Great--Second Graders' favorite detective has arrived! We are having a good time getting to know this wonderful detective. We helped Nate solve the case and finally learned what happened to Annie's picture! We also got to know all of the characters and their unique personalities. Our literature project for this story will be a character analysis.

Springer Handbook--Coming home in today's Friday folder. Please review the handbook with your child. There is important information that will help us have a productive and safe year. Keep this at home for your reference.

Volunteers!--THANK YOU to everyone who has already volunteered to help in many different ways! I will be contacting you shortly to discuss the ways in which you will support the class. We will be having a Writers' Workshop training on September 18th at 2:35 PM. It's not too late to sign-up for volunteering. Many of our programs are dependent upon parent volunteers and will not run without parent help. Please revisit our needs to see where you can pitch in! Many of the volunteer opportunities can be flexible (e.g. once a month, every other Thursday, etc.). Please let me know if you'd like to sign-up! THANKS!

HELP STILL NEEDED:

- Writer's Workshop Parents (Thursdays: 9-9:35)
- Friday Folder Stuffers (Oct, Nov, Dec, March, May, June)
- VIP parents (Once a month)
- Silent Auction Parents
- Garden Parent

Dates To Remember:

- Family Picnic--Thursday, September 4th--5:30 PM

Have a great weekend!

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