

News From 2F!

Friday November 4, 2011

Welcome to November and some cooler weather! This time of year children may want to layer their clothing as it can still warm up during the day! We will monitor the weather and have children wear coats/sweatshirts when necessary. Having "more" is better than "less" so we have a choice. Once it really stays cold, sending in an extra hat and gloves to keep at school is always a good idea too. That way if the weather changes we are prepared! We do try to get out every day for some outdoor play.

We began our "Literacy Workshop" time this week(every day except Thursday). This is a time that students will be working in groups with like skills. It is a time we are giving students what they need. Your child may talk about this time and mention a different teacher. Your child may either be with Mr. Story, Mrs. Debettencourt, Mrs. LaSelva, Mrs. Smadbeck, Mrs. Meyerhoff or myself. These groups may change after 6 weeks as they are based on individual needs and we will be looking at students after that time frame. Please feel free to ask any questions as this is new this year.

We have finished our first reading theme "Silly Stories" and we have moved onto a mini unit of Poetry. Our next theme will be "Nature Walk"....always a fun unit. Everyone has been working hard to do their best with spelling and classroom work. Our routine is off and running.

I did not get a chance to send home books for reading homework, but I will send them home next week. Please remember if you receive books from me, they are to be returned on Fridays with the signed reading sheet. Thank you! Remember even when we play a sport we have to practice to be good....just like reading....practice makes reading easier! So even books that are "easy to read" are helping.

We are almost finished with our first math unit as well. We will have our unit test next week. "Counting on" is becoming very natural in here! Thank you again for your help with making sure homework is completed and the workbooks are returned to school! It really helps us stay on track in here.

I appreciate everyone's commitment to their child's education and taking time to meet with me during parent teacher conferences. Please feel free to contact me anytime if you have any questions or concerns throughout the year. I go with the "no news is good news" policy. I will also let you know if there are questions or concerns from my end. It does take team work to help students achieve their best.

Enjoy the weekend and remember to "fall back" on your clocks Saturday night. Hoping the sun rising sooner in the morning will make for fewer sleepy heads.

Jennifer and Debbie