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Your Newsletter

The second grade team has created this newsletter with your family in mind. Your input is valued. What do you want from the 2nd grade newsletter? Please email your child's teacher with any feedback.

Reminders

- **Homework is assigned on Wednesdays and is due back at school the following Tuesday.**
- **Reading for at least 20 minutes every night is a 2nd grade expectation.**



Readers' Workshop

Building our tool box with 'what good readers do' will continue as students learn new ways to bring meaning to text. Students continue to immerse themselves in just right books and respond using text-to-self connections. This week students were able to show their appreciation to volunteers through reading poetry and writing thank you notes.

Writers' Workshop

Next week, students will continue writing personal narratives from ideas planted in their writers' notebook. Some students may use 'ish' drafting, illustrations and content conferences to give depth to their stories. The writers' notebook is a personal space for students to take note of experiences for future writing ideas. Many small moments in a 2nd grader's life are significant stories.

Math

The study of place value continues with work on expanded form ($73=70+3$) and different forms of numbers. Students are working with base ten blocks often and learning the value of digits.

Science

Students have had the opportunity to study hermit crabs through inquiry, observation, experimentation and research. Our next unit of study is the universe. Next week we will begin our focus on the properties of solid and liquid matter. At home you can incorporate our new vocabulary in home cooking and outdoor play activities.

