

Second Grade

News

October 21-25, 2013

Weekly Newsletter

Spelling Words

Words with long i sound; spelled with consonant-e and y:

mine, time, dime, nine, lines, side, lie, ties, buy, sky, myself
Challenge: idea, five, like, combine

Bonus: tried

Homework

Spelling- Choose 3 activities from the list below to practice your spelling words.

- Write your words outside using sidewalk chalk. (Have your parents sign a piece of paper.)
- Fancy fingers- use your fanciest handwriting to write your words with curly, dotted, or other fancy letters!
- Write your spelling words 3 times each.
- Write a story with as many spelling words as possible. Illustrate your story.
- Write your spelling words. Circle all the vowels. Underline each consonant.
- Write each of your words and a picture to show its meaning
- ABC order- write your spelling words in alphabetical order.
- Students may also choose to work on SpellingCity.com.

Math- Fact Families practice handout

Science

Weekly Workout Week 8 handout

Reading

2nd graders are required to read 20 minutes/5 days a week. Students should fill in book and minutes read in their reading log. Parents please sign reading log to be turned in on Fridays with homework.

All homework will be turned in on Friday.

Online Scholastic Book Fair

The online Book Fair will be available until October 31st.

<http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/vistaacademyofelgin>

Reading/ELA

Students will identify and use common words that are opposite (antonyms) or similar (synonyms) in meaning. We will also practice question sentences, and prefixes and suffixes. We will share and read the big book *Ants*.

Math

This week will take a closer look at fact families. Students will use patterns and relationships to develop strategies to remember basic addition and subtraction facts. We will determine patterns in related addition and subtraction number sentences (including fact families) such as $8 + 9 = 17$, $9 + 8 = 17$, $17 - 8 = 9$, and $17 - 9 = 8$

History & Geography

We continue our American Government unit. We will be looking at the creation of the constitution and the many events that lead to the formation of the United States. The students will understand why English colonists migrated to the New World, and students will understand how the colonists' beliefs about a fair government affected their actions and resulted in the Revolutionary War.

Science

This week students will explore the processes in the water cycle including evaporation, condensation, and precipitation, as connected to weather conditions.

RED RIBBON WEEK NEXT WEEK!

Monday: "Put a Cap on Drugs!" Wear favorite hat to school!
Tuesday: "Sock: it to drugs!!" Wear your craziest silly socks!
Wednesday: "Don't Sweat Drugs!" Wear sweats or a track suit!
Thursday: "I show good Character!" Dress up as your favorite storybook character!!! You MUST bring the book
Friday: "I'm Proud to Be Drug Free!!!" Wear RED to school!

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