



News From Room 122

Here's what we have been doing in 2nd Grade!

Language Arts

We just finished the Module A of our first Language Arts unit. We read a story called *Trouble at the Sandbox*. Ask your child if they can give you a summary of the story! We talked about how a character's point of view can change based on things that have happened in the story. We then read a story called *Snowshoe Hare's Winter Home*. The second graders also wrote a narrative story. We learned about the editing and publishing process.

Science

We took our first unit in science about Botany and learning about plants. We are now learning about vertebrates. Ask your child if they can tell you what makes an animal a vertebrate. We have learned how different vertebrates are classified—birds, fish, mammals, reptiles, and amphibians. See if your second grader can tell you an animal or two from each of these groups.

Math

We started doing math rotations during math time. Most days students have some time at each station: M-Math Fact Practice (XtraMath and flash card practice), A-At Your Seat (working on the practice page), T-Teacher Time (lesson time with me), H-Hands on Math (using manipulatives). Please remember that you can also use XtraMath at home to help your child practice their math facts. It is important for students to have most of their facts memorized so that they can be more confident in their work.

History

We finished learning about Japan and even ended our unit with a taste of Japanese candy! We are now learning about China. We have learned about two of the major rivers in China—the Yellow River and the Yangzi. We also learned about the Grand Canal that connects both of these rivers.

2017-2018 School Verse

Listen my son, and be wise, and Keep your heart on the right path.

Proverbs 23:19

Jesus Time

We have one more week in our first unit called Beginnings. In this unit we have seen God's love in action through the events in the lives of Adam, Noah, Abram, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph. As we hear about the sinful and faithful lives of these Patriarchs, we will see God's goodness to them. He gives them each a fresh beginning even though each is sinful. He guides them and comforts them through His presence. God gives us His forgiving and life-giving love too. His grace and mercy are not affected by our actions—good or bad. This does not mean that Christ accepts our sin, but He does accept sinners, calling us to repentance and faith. And He empowers us to serve others and glorify Him in all we do.

Upcoming Memory

September 29: Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God!

Psalm 143:10

October 6: [Jesus said,] "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." Matthew 22:37

October 13: [God is] merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. Exodus 34:6



Mark Your Calendars!

- October 2-Fall Pictures
- October 12-Pastires for Parents in the gym before school
- October 12-Bring Your Parents to School day 8:30-10:30 (please note the time change)
- October 17-PTL Noodles and Company Fundraiser

Pictures of the Week

