



# Our 2nd Grade Classroom News

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## Our Week in a Glance



**Writing Workshop:** The children continued to work on their realistic fiction stories. With their characters developed and story plans sketched out, the children began to focus on their introductions. We looked at three different ways the children could start their stories (describing the setting, a sound, or dialogue). They could even combine some of these leads. Ask your child which lead they chose to begin their story?

On Friday, Mrs. Kamin, our instructional coach, came to do a fun Memory Jar Quick writing activity with the children. First, she shared the book *Memory Jars* by Vera Brosgol. Then she shared a few of her favorite and funny memories. Next, the children sketched and did a quick write on one of their own memories. Finally, they shared them with each other. Ask your child about the memory jar activity. What memory did they quick write about?

**Reading:** During reading time, we continued to focus on summarizing what's important in the story and to tell it in the order it happened. Next week, we will start to take a closer look at the main characters in our reading. We will pay close attention to their inside traits (personality) and their outside traits (what we can see). We will look for evidence from the story that supports those traits.

**Math:** In math, we continued to practice measuring in inches, feet and yards by having the children measure each other to find out how tall they are. Then to go along with the unit story *Jim and the Beanstalk* (a spin off of the traditional *Jack and the Beanstalk* story), the children doubled their height to get their giant size. To their surprise, they discovered that everyone in the classroom would need to duck to get through the doorway.

**SuperFlex Activity with Dr. L. :** Ask your child about the 2nd grade SuperFlex activity we did in the APR.

## This & That

- **Special Schedule for next week:**  
Monday - STEM  
Tuesday - P.E.  
Wednesday - Art  
Thursday - Music  
Friday - Library
- Room 10's **STAR Student of the week is Hadley!** Congratulations!
- **The 100th Day of School** is just around the corner. As of now, it will fall on Thursday, Feb. 2nd. The children are invited to dress up like they are 100 years old. They can get creative with glasses, hair, and outfits. We have some special activities planned for the day.
- Upcoming Event: **FTE PTO Basket Bingo Night, Feb. 10th from 5:30PM to 7:30 PM.** Check your child's Daily Folder for more information on our class Raffle Basket.

