



Our 2nd Grade Classroom News

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Our Week in a Glance

Writing Workshop: This week, we wrapped up our narrative writing unit. The children were able to choose one of their small moment stories from earlier in the year to rewrite or they could write a whole new small moment story or they could write a new realistic fiction story. As they worked on their writing, they were encouraged to showcase their writing skills. Ask your child about their final narrative story. What craft moves did they use in their writing?

Reading: During reading time, we continued to focus on the theme of several read aloud books. This time around, making sure to cite evidence from the story that supports that theme. We will be returning to nonfiction reading when we return from spring break. Our focus will be on identifying the main idea and supporting details as well as comparing two texts on the same topic.

Math: In math, we completed Unit 5 and will start Unit 6: Geometry after spring break. In Unit 6, the children will identify, draw and create 2-D shapes based on their defining features, explore the area of shapes, especially rectangles, and split whole shapes into halves, thirds, or fourths/quarters.

Unit Activity: *What Are the Mystery Substances?*

In this week's investigations, the children were observing how our mystery substances (powders) reacted with water. The goal was to see how the properties of each substance changed when different amounts of water were added. Through these investigations, the children are beginning to develop an understanding of the science concepts: dissolve, solution, mixture, and reaction.

Ask your child what they noticed about the reaction of the substances and the water. What do they think the mystery substances could be used for?

This & That

- **Special Schedule for when we return from Spring Break:**
Monday - Music
Tuesday - Library
Wednesday - STEM
Thursday - P.E.
Friday - Art
- **We are in need of some class snacks for when we return from spring break.** Any donations would be greatly appreciated! Thank you!



• **HAPPY SPRING BREAK EVERYONE!**

Enjoy the time off. We'll see the kids back in school on Monday, March 13th.

- The Ferguson PTO is looking for a President and Secretary for the next two years. If you are interested, please reach out to Sharon Musser.

