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A Peek at Next Week

Science

In science, students will begin the week by looking at different attributes that objects may have such as shape, flexibility, buoyancy, texture, and more. We will then begin discussing solids, liquids, and gases. Students will focus mainly on solids and how liquids turn into solids.

Math

In math, first graders will be finishing their chapter about groups of ten and skip counting. Please be sure practice to counting with your child by 2s and 5s up to 110. They also need to count by 10s up to 500. Their test will be on Friday.

Second graders will be continuing to work on time. Students will be learning on how to tell time to the 5 minute. Students will also learn the vocabulary quarter after, quarter to, and half past.

Writer's Workshop

Students will continue to work on poetry. They will continue to read poems during centers and hear poems daily to understand the differences between a poem and a story. Next week, students will be creating a cinquain about a winter topic. They will be revising and editing their poem with a partner and then creating a final draft.

Reconciliation

Next week, second graders will be breaking down the Act of Contrition line by line to truly understand what it means. We will also review the steps of Reconciliation, and students will work with a partner to explain the true meaning of the sacrament.

Classroom Themes

Weekly Theme: States of Matter

Monthly Character Trait: Fairness

Important Dates

January 16: Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Lollipops Permission Slip Due

January 17, 19, and 20: NWEA Testing for
2nd Graders

January 20: Lollipops Field Trip



Happy Birthday!

Isabella Schmidt: January 17th

Congratulations to our "Star"
Student of the Week!

★ Michael Goffer ★

who exemplified our character
trait of the month, fairness.



Notes from the Teacher:

Lollipops Field Trip: Kindergarten, first grade, and second grade will be going on a field trip to see *Little Red Riding Hood*. Students will be leaving school at 8:50 and returning at 10:45 on Friday, January 20th. Since permission slips are not due until Monday, I will send an email or a note home on Monday about who will be chaperoning.

Sight Words: Please continue working on sight words with your child. I will be retesting them before report cards. Please be sure to let me know if your child needs more words added to their rings. You can have your child return the words that they are confident with.