

Second Grade News

December/January 2011-2012

Happy Holidays!

Practice Those Facts!

Special points of interest:

- Dec. 9 Early dismissal
- Dec. 13 Interims go home
- Dec. 23 Holiday Sing-along and Early dismissal
- Jan. 3 Schools reopen
- Jan. 16 Schools closed
- Jan. 26 Marking period begins
- Jan. 27 Schools closed

PETS in the Classroom

Mrs. Alaina Haerbig has been working with all second graders on Primary Education Thinking Skills (PETS.) The program exposes all second grade students to activities that focus on the following higher level thinking skills:

- Convergent Thinking
- Divergent Thinking
- Evaluative Thinking
- Visual/Spatial Perception



Please be sure to continue to practice the basic facts every day. The following is the CCPS expectation for students by the end of grade 2 : students will have memorized all addition facts with addends to 10 and sums to 15 and memorized all subtraction facts with minuends to 10.



The CCPS Elementary Mathematics website is a wonderful resource for parents and students. Please be sure to visit it at <http://www.carrollk12.org>. Additionally, please encourage your child to use Dreambox at home. The time spent on this website supports our work in the classroom.

Science and Social Studies News

Second Graders have started their new Science and Social Studies units. We will be integrating Math and Science by graphing weather data. We will also be integrating Economics in Social Studies with reading and writing. The topics Second Graders will be studying include human, capital, and natural resources, and occupations.

Help Wanted

Do you love Math? Would you like to learn more about the math resources we use here at LSE? Our Math Resource Teacher, Mrs. Laura Hunovice, is looking for some volunteers to help organize and maintain the materials in our Math Resource Room. If you have some time to spare and you would like to help on Tuesdays or Wednesdays (the days Mrs. Hunovice is at LSE) please let your child's teacher know.

Reminders to Parents: With winter weather here, please be sure children are dressed in coats, hats and gloves. The playground can be very windy and cold!