

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Monthly News December 2023

Mrs. Kyker's Classroom



## Important Dates

- 12/1 – November Reading Log Due
- 12/15 – end of 2<sup>nd</sup> grading period; classroom Winter Parties
- 12/18 – teacher work day; no students
- 12/19 through 1/1 – Winter Break; No School
- 1/2 – School resumes; December reading log due
- 1/5 – report cards posted on Infinite Campus

## F.Y.I.

\*On November 14, Mrs. Tutkovics, our Guidance counselor, came in for a lesson about “red and green thoughts” and “I messages”.

On December 7<sup>th</sup>, the Geauga Park District will be here with a presentation on Weather, as part of our science unit.

\* The children will be bringing their art shirts home over winter break to be laundered. Please send them back to school in a gallon-sized Ziploc bag with their name marked on the outside.

\* Please ask your child if he/she is in need of any new school supplies. Glue sticks, erasers, yellow pencils and blue or red folders make great stocking stuffers!

\* Boots will be necessary when the ground is snowy in order to play on the playground.

\*Several children have been approaching me, complaining of chapped lips. I typically send them to the school nurse to get Vaseline, but they miss a few minutes of academic time because of this. Please consider keeping a tube of lip balm in your child's bookbag this winter. Thank you!

## Reminders

\* Reminder: Students are expected to read 100 minutes per week, When you are totaling your child's monthly reading log, please keep in mind the total should be a minimum of 400 minutes.

\* Just a reminder that toys should not be brought to school. They are distracting to the children and we have had a problem with them getting lost or stolen.

\* Reminder! PLEASE make sure all jackets, hats, mittens, scarves, etc. are marked with your child's name. These pieces and parts are easy to lose in the process of “bundling up” and “unbundling!”

\*If you are interested in purchasing books for your child from Scholastic please visit our class page: <https://orders.scholastic.com/HYRQX>  
Shop flyers here <https://clubs.scholastic.com/23> If you order items that you would like to give to your child as a holiday gift please let me know. I can place these items in the office for you to pick up so that your child does not see the gift.

\* School Closing/Weather Hotline: 440-564-2134

## Looking for donations:

-1 pack of subtraction facts (0-18 or 11-18)

-book: The Marshmallow Incident by Judi Barrett

-If you have any used “Dinosaur Cove” books at home, you may consider donating them to our classroom library. We are looking to increase our collection.

-4 book baskets: <https://www.walmart.com/ip/Sterilite-Medium-Stacking-Basket-Plastic-White/39804128?fulfillmentIntent=In-store&athbdg=L1600&from=/search>

\*Visit our classroom wish list here:

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3HWMO2IHA98VK?ref=cm\\_sw\\_em\\_r\\_un\\_un\\_kMT5rmLE99Jm6](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3HWMO2IHA98VK?ref=cm_sw_em_r_un_un_kMT5rmLE99Jm6)

## Academics at a Glance

**Language Arts:** reading non-fiction; writing informational pieces

**Math:** adding 2 digit numbers

**Social Studies:** Map Skills & cultures

**Science:** Weather

## Eco-Friendly Thought of the Month...

"Approximately 72 percent of the waste currently being landfilled or incinerated consists of materials that could be put to higher and better use through recycling or

composting. Most of this material is office paper, cardboard, non-recyclable paper, and food waste."

-Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance

