



2nd Grade: Mrs. Watkins and Mrs. Thomas

December 4, 2020

***Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed a wonderful Thanksgiving Break as a family! Let's finish strong these final two weeks before Christmas Break!**

***Hometasks are due on Wednesday, December 16!** What fun adventures will the Gingerbread Babies go on? We can't wait to hear everyone's story!

***Thank you for all of the donations to our Auction Basket, as well as our sponsored child! You are all very generous, and modeling how to share Christ's love through caring and giving!**

***Our 2nd grade auction basket is coming along. Thank you to those who have already donated! We will continue to collect items for the Beach Basket until Christmas break, so you still have time to get in on the action if you would like to contribute:) Thanks!**

***Typing.com:** How is your typing practice coming along? Try to incorporate a few minutes on the program a few days a week to help improve finger placement and typing proficiency.

***We started learning cursive!!** While your child might be so excited and tempted to "practice" other letters on his or her own, please be patient as we learn the strokes and a few letters at a time. :)

Religion

Wow! What a busy week of showing compassion! We wrapped up our Christmas cards for our student in South Dakota and packed the bin for drop-off so it can arrive in time for Christmas. We also reviewed different ways we show compassion in the classroom and at home. Have you seen your second grader showing compassion at home? If so, please share with us. We would love to hear it. We will start our special Advent Religion book next week as we study the birth of John the Baptist and how he prepared the way for Jesus.

Reading/Language

Learning about different schools this week was very interesting, and a great setup for next week's stories! We will be reading about Helen Keller, and how she overcame so many challenges to learn to communicate in a special way. Our phonics focus is the long o sound made with oa and ow. In Language we will review proper nouns.

Science

We will be jumping in to Lesson 3 of this unit: Matter Within Objects.

Spelling

own, most, soap, float, both, know, loan, goat, flow, loaf, throw, coach

Memory Work

Isaiah 9:6 - For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Math

Next week in math we will be working more on double digit adding with regrouping (carrying), as well as adding three or more numbers. We will also work with fractions and start our subtraction facts. Students will be able to practice subtraction with wrap-ups, as well as paper/pencil timed tests and flashcards.

Social Studies

We are continuing our special Native American unit. As we wrap up and play a Kahoot game for fun to review, we will take the OPEN NOTE test in class. I will tell students that they can use their note taking packets to take the short quiz. Our last unit before break will be Christmas Around the World!

Spanish

We took our assessment today in class, then we will start our new unit next week. We will begin with el calendario and los dias de la semana (days of the week).

Teacher Tip!

As we begin the Advent season, let's remember to put the emphasis on the 'reason for the season'! The children will be reading different Bible verses in class to prepare their hearts for the coming of the Savior. You received an Advent Family Time Activities sheet earlier in the week. Make time to incorporate some of those activities into your Christmas preparations. :)