

Second Grade

Homework and Newsletter

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Monday, May 10 – Friday, May 14

- * Read 20 minutes.
- * Daily DLR
- * See daily homework entry written in steno notebook.
- * *Please don't forget your two pieces of 6 x 9 cardboard.*
- * *Please bring 13 x 17 piece of fabric that goes with your child's Fairytale.*

Due to state testing, the regularly scheduled reading and math tile volunteers are canceled for the next two weeks. Thank you.

Please join us for our Musical Informance with Ms. Jordan Wednesday, May 12th at 12:55 in the cafeteria!



Classroom Update

State Testing: State testing schedule for second grade is as follows:

Monday, May 10th – Math Part 1

Tuesday, May 11th – Math Part 2

Wednesday, May 12th - Math Part 3

If you would like to review released test questions for the standardized test you may visit the following website: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/sr/css05rtq.asp> **(Be sure to click on grade two.) Please make sure your child is in attendance during testing days.**

Fairy Tales: Students are well on their way to writing original fairy tales. What creative second grade minds! Ask your child about his/her fairy tale. Student will be editing their writings with the teacher/adult, then will write and illustrate their final copies. The final step in publishing our fairy tales involves making a hard cover for the final publication. In order to complete this step, each student will need two items:

- 1) **A piece of fabric 13 x 17 inches.** Scraps from home are perfectly acceptable, although some students enjoy going to the fabric store. Others may choose fabric at school. **Please bring by May 14th.**
- 2) **Two pieces of cardboard 6 x 9 inch, cut at home.**

Special Fairy Tale Project: This special project will be an *extension of your child's fairy tale that has been written in class*. Please choose from **one** of the suggested projects below to complete. Students should pace themselves to complete a quality project in the time allotted. Steps you might want to consider: choose a project from the list below, sketch out the project, make a list of materials needed, buy the materials, and go to work! Have fun! The projects are due **Wednesday, June 2nd** . *On Wednesday, students should be prepared to tell the class about their projects.* The process and finished product are equally important.

- ☉ *Design a banner or flag to represent the fairy tale. (Consider the limited classroom space.)*
- ☉ *Make a travel brochure inviting people to come to the setting of the book. Include a detailed description of the setting, as well as pictures, and things to see and do while there.*
- ☉ *Make a time line or flow chart of events in your book and illustrate it.*
- ☉ *Make a diorama of your story's setting and include characters. (shoe box size only)*
- ☉ *Draw a map showing places, routes, and events of the story. Illustrate different places. Remember the Halloween maps?*
- ☉ *Make a set of four place mats showing, in sequence, four events in the story. Illustrate the different places in the story.*
- ☉ *Make a puppet of one or more of your characters.*

Math: Because of STAR Math testing, no math lessons will be conducted this week.

Class Hop: In Science, the students began to learn about the rainforest. Ask them about the layers of the rainforest and why it is so special.

In Social Studies, students began a new unit called America's Government. Ask your child the difference between local, state, and national governments.

Happy Birthday to Dawit Miller on May 14.