

What's Cooking in 2nd Grade?

Effingham Elementary School Mrs. Small- Teacher For the week of October 23

Have You Heard Your Child Read Lately?

When is the last time you heard your child read?

Reading well is a key to success in school, on state tests, and in life in general. Next year your child will be taking the state reading test. We have only three quarters of the year left to get your child ready for third grade reading. I need your assistance to accomplish this task. Second graders should be able to retell what they read in their own words. As you work with your child at home it reinforces what we learn at school. When we work together, we will see greater gains in their ability to sound out new words and gain new meanings! Enjoy listening to your child read today and help prepare them for success now and in the future!

***Parents Have Power!**

Reading and Spelling

There will be NO new reading story or spelling list this week.

Stirring Up Descriptive Words in Writing

Second graders are learning how to use adjectives to describe nouns. They are learning to think about the five senses when doing descriptive writing. They are making their sentences grow while planting a picture in the reader's mind.

Making Parents Aware of Math Opportunities

Are you aware that 2nd grade math includes telling time, counting money & reading thermometers? 2nd graders also need to know how to measure length, weight & capacity. These life skills can be taught by parents at home when the opportunity arises. Remember, you are a teacher too!

Science at Home...

Put some chocolate chips in the microwave and see what happens?

Reminders...

***New School Bond Issue**
Ballots need to be filed with the county clerk by noon on November 6th.

***P.T. Conferences 4-7 p.m.** on Oct. 23 & 24 (We have school Oct. 23, 24, & 25)

No school Oct. 22 and Oct. 26.

What Do Students Know?

Did you know that every 2nd grade lesson starts with activating prior knowledge? I find out what the students already know about the subject and build on that! You can help make your kids be smarter by having them read, watch educational TV shows, and by letting them play educational games on the internet such as... internet4classrooms.com.

***Parents are Special!**

REMINDER: See you at Parent-Teacher Conferences!