

Mrs. Small's 2nd Grade Class

“Making A Batch of Smart Cookies”

Newsletter for the week of Nov. 02, 2009

Mark Your Calendars!

Technology Night

Technology Night is
November 5th – at 7:30 p.m.

Thanksgiving Break

Thanksgiving Break will be
Nov. 25, 26, and 27.

Science

Learning about the earth is lots
of fun! How does a volcano
erupt? What is erosion? What
is weathering?

Science Experiments

Our class compared soil
samples with hand lenses.
Then we made a Venn
Diagram to compare how the
soils were alike and different.
We also watched a volcano
explode by mixing baking
soda and white vinegar. The
two chemicals when mixed
caused a reaction. In a real
volcano the hot gas and
pressure under the earth causes
the volcano rock to turn from
solid to liquid. This is called
lava. After the lava explodes it
will eventually harden again.

Reading In the Red Book

Have your child read Jamaica
Tag-Along

What's Cooking in Reading?

First, the students roll-out, cut,
chop, stretch, blend, and
combine all kinds of appropriate
ingredients which are letters in
words. This is our method of
decoding. They do some
combining of *consonant-vowel
combinations, blends, digraphs,*
and *word families*. Next, he/se
carefully stirs in *compound
nouns, prefixes, suffixes, base
words or root words, synonyms,
antonyms, and vocabulary
words*.

Dictionary Usage

Second graders are learning how
to look up words and their
meanings in the dictionary.

JACKET TIME!

It is time to find the jackets,
coats, mittens, and hats! If it is
cold and your child doesn't wear
a jacket or coat to school he/she
might have to miss recess.

Spelling Words

the
that
them
day
may
made
was
of
if
a
November
Thanksgiving

Spelling Words Incorporated into Writing!

Some of the spelling words
might seem easy now, but they
will get harder. They are
words the teacher expects to be
spelled correctly when writing
daily narrative or expository
assignments.

As a Matter of Fact!

Thanks for helping your
child memorize +/- *facts!*