

# Mrs. Small's 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Class

## “Making A Batch of Smart Cookies”

Newsletter for the week of Dec. 07, 2009

### Science

The students are learning how matter can change!

### MONEY MATTERS!

We are finishing up subtraction in math and will soon be starting our unit on money. Please let your child count real money at home.

### Time

Please help your child practice telling time.

### Christmas

We will not be doing a Christmas gift exchange among classmates this year.

Instead of giving Christmas gifts to students, teachers & staff please consider donating to your favorite charity.

Teachers will be doing some fun learning activities with their class instead of a PTO sponsored party.

### NO WINTER PROGRAM FOR 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADERS!

2<sup>nd</sup> grade will not be involved in a Winter Music Program this year. They will have a Spring Program.

### Reading - Red Book

The Pony Express p. 322

### Vocabulary

rushed, arrive, early, record, finished, and success

### MAP Testing

2<sup>nd</sup> Graders will be given a MAP TEST for reading and math sometime during the week of Dec. 14-18<sup>th</sup>. These tests are very important in determining how a student is progressing in school. If your child is struggling he/she may be considered for After School, Summer School, or possibly Retention. Please talk to your child about the importance of doing his/her “Personal Best” in school every day.

### Personal Best

- Listen
- Watch
- Be Ready to Learn
- Follow Directions

**Good Better Best  
Never Let It Rest  
Until Your Good Is Better  
And Your Better is Best!**

### Spelling Words

candy

went

sent

take

like

puppy

time

didn't

by

my

buy

bought

### Mark your Calendars!

Winter Break is December 23-January 1<sup>st</sup>. School will resume on January 4<sup>th</sup>.

End of 1<sup>st</sup> Semester – Jan. 8th

### Cause and Effect

Cause and Effect is when something causes something else to happen.