

# The Second Grade Newsletter

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## "Second Grade Detectives Solve the Case of the Missing Books!"



In the picture on the left you can see our "crime scene" and on the right hand side our detectives are hard at work!

It sure was an exciting day of school yesterday as we tried to solve our very own mystery, "The Case of the Missing Library Books." The author we have been studying this month is David Adler, who writes children mystery books. The students have been very interested in Cam Jansen, who is a great detective and one of the main characters in David Adler's books. Yesterday the students had their chance to be "Cam" and experience the anticipation of a "real" mystery! It sure was fun!

Here's an update on the topics we will cover in the upcoming weeks of school.

Reading/Language Arts: We will continue small reading groups, which will focus on reading strategies and comprehension. Reading centers will continue to review suffixes, prefixes and root words, fact vs. opinion, cause and effect, as well as making inferences.

Spelling: We will continue to use the Rebecca Sitton spelling program. The students will continue to learn approximately 4 new words each week and then do activities with each word.

Math: We are completing Chapter 6 on double digit subtraction. The next Chapter deals with Time. We have been working on telling time throughout the school year, however, students will now be accountable for doing it correctly. This is a very important and useful skill for the students to learn! Also, it is very easy to help your child at home to become more comfortable with this skill is by randomly asking them the time (Don't forget the a.m. and p.m.)!

Science: We are studying the effects of erosion and how it affects the Earth. The next major topic that we will be covering is The Sun and It's Family (Stars and Planets).

### Upcoming Events/Important Dates:

\*Reminder- Next week the students will be taking the Terra Nova tests. I will not be giving the students homework, as the days will be long and tiring. Please make sure students are going to bed at appropriate times to ensure their full potential here at school.

- There will be no school on Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. Enjoy the day with your children!!

As always, feel free to write me a note in the planner, call me at the school (945-5153), or send me an email (naylor@ltsd.org) if you have any questions or concerns.

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