

The Second Grade Newsletter

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"Wow, another strike!" That's about all you could hear Friday afternoon in this classroom! Not one pin was left standing when these Second Graders were through!



Dear Parents and Guardians,

You might have been hearing some stories about your child bowling in class. Well, yes, it's true! As you can see from the above picture, we went to the bowling alley to review our addition and subtraction facts. Each correct answer knocked down a pin. I was so impressed with how well our "bowlers" knew their math facts. It's amazing how a little motivation and excitement can bring out the best in each of us.

Every month I will be sending home a "Second Grade Newsletter", similar to this, to keep you updated on some of the things we have been doing in our classroom and any important dates that are coming up in the near future. So far this month we have not only been reviewing our rules and getting used to our daily routine, but we have also been learning a lot. In Reading, we have started our Centers (computer, phonics, writing, art, and independent reading) and I have begun to meet with each reading group, specifically focusing on fluency and comprehension. In Math, we are continuing to practice our addition and subtraction facts and will soon be ready for the Chapter 1 Review. In Science class, each student practiced being a scientist by doing a project that demonstrated one of the skills that scientists use; such as observing, predicting, classifying, and comparing. We will shortly be starting our Social Studies unit on communities. This will include discussions and activities about what communities are, the different communities the students are part of, and ways they can be good citizens. The character theme of the month is Respect, and we have also been doing several activities that can help students gain a better understanding of what it means to respect yourself and others.

Upcoming Events/Important Dates: Information will be sent home about our upcoming field trip on September 28th. We will be going to the Bear Creek Nature Center!