

Second Grade Stars



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Reading

Next week we will be reading "Best Wishes Ed", by James Stevenson. It is about a penguin who learns how to use his special ability to help others.

Please help your child read and understand the vocabulary words:
climbed couple drifted
half message notice

Math

This week students cut out triangles and rectangles and glued them together to make new shapes. They also identified 5 shapes that were 3 dimensional: cones, pyramids, rectangular pyramids, spheres, and cylinders. If you find one of those shapes at home you may want to send it to school to put into our Shape Museum which is in the glass case in the hallway.

Spelling

Next week students will have words ending with er:

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| 1.water | 7.winter |
| 2.other | 8.never |
| 3.over | 9.farmer |
| 4.corner | 10.father |
| 5.letter | 11.climbed |
| 6.driver | 12.couple |

The following students already have a perfect score on the pre-test. They chose the following words to challenge themselves:

- Riley - Christmas tree
Dylan - December
C.J. - Merry
Madeline - Jennyanydots
Andy - planet

Wildcats

Brandon & C.J. earned t-shirts when Mr. Scarano pulled their names out of our coupon jar. Congratulations !

Toys For Tots

Next week the FFA will be collecting new toys and money. They will stay in Jo Daviess Co. Please contribute to this project by our US Marine Corps Reserve.
Mon. - pennies
Tues. - nickels
Wed. - dimes
Thurs. - quarters
Fri. - dollars & checks

Book Reports

From now on, I will be asking the students to find their own books for making book reports. I will not need to send books home in the Friday Folders.

Remember, each 50 pages counts for another book report. Chapter books are great, if you use the 5-finger rule first.

Website

This newsletter is also on the river ridge website:

<http://www.riverridge210.org>

Select "Elementary"

You may also select:

"Web Resources" and go to the second grade site for educational games, including spelling words.

Dates to Remember

Dec. 5 Eliz. Lib. Xmas Story 10-11 am
Dec. 9 Elementary Concert 7:00PM
Dec. 21 Party at school -details later
Dec. 22 No School
Jan. 4 School Resumes



Gift Exchange

If you go shopping soon, you may want to buy a gift for our Holiday Party here at school. If you have a son you may buy a gift for a boy. If you have a daughter you may buy a gift for a girl. Please do not spend more than \$5 on a gift.

River Museum

We had a great field trip! The new exhibit on lizards included statues of lizards that were decorated. We enjoyed the animals in the aquariums, the boats, the water tables, the furs etc. Special thanks to the 3 dads who chaperoned. Riley's, Arthur's, and Andy's dad were with us. That made it a lot of fun for me! We wrote a thank-you letter to PTO