



SECOND GRADE WEEKLY PLANS

MAY 8, 2017

VIRTUE: Forgiveness

TEACHER: MRS. MARTIN

ASSISTANT: MRS. SMITH

SAYING: Don't Cry Over Spilled Milk.

Dear Parents,

I must say how impressed I was by the fabulous costumes all you moms and dads produced for Romeo and Juliet. Putting those outfits on made the kids feel like professional performers! Thanks so much for the effort. Thanks also to Kate and Akiko for the beef stew and apple tarts for Friday's Shakespeare buffet! If anyone has photos of the performance that could be sent to me, I greatly appreciate them!

As you know, ERB testing is taking place this week. This morning the children took the listening comprehension section. Tomorrow they will take Reading Comprehension, on Wednesday they take Word Analysis and Writing Mechanics, and on Thursday they take the Math section. Though there is no homework this week, the kids should continue to read for their reading logs and work on their State Fair displays. Tomorrow I will review the requirements for the State Fair. For your reference, please check the document on my teacher's page.

I have asked each child to think of a personal hurt that they have not yet been able to forgive. This is in preparation for an activity in support of our character education program. Tomorrow, we will practice the virtue of forgiveness by each privately writing the name of a person who has been unfair or thoughtless to us and a brief description of the circumstances. Then we will each write, "I forgive you." Finally, one at a time, we will ceremoniously feed our private, cathartic, pronouncements into a shredder. Hopefully this will serve as a reminder of the importance of letting go of our anger or disappointment.

We continue to explore these topics: Science –Plant Life Cycles, History – Immigration, Geography – The States, Math – Calculating Elapsed Time, Handwriting – Cursive, Reading – Identifying Main Idea and stories in the unit, "America and Her People".

Updated Reminders

Events in **BOLD**: Parents are encouraged to attend.

- May 15/16, Mrs. Martin away; please send emails to Trish and Darlene.
- Wednesday, May 17th, Spelling Lesson 28 due. Test on Thursday.
- Thursday, May 18th, State Fair presentations due. Drop off in Library.
- **Friday, May 19th, State Fair: Parents invited to visit from 2:30 to 3:00.**
- May 31st: Reading Log Due
- Monday, June 5th: Fast Forward Day; Second graders visit Miss Verheek
- **Friday, June 9 - Final Assembly 8:15 am**
- Monday, June 12 - Move-up Ceremony Rehearsal 8:15-9:00, Field Day
- Tuesday, June 13 - Please send in canvas bag in addition to backpack so that your child can bring home belongings.
- **June 14 -Move-Up Ceremony, K-7th grades, BCC, 8:30 am**
Dismissal to follow

Yours Truly,
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