

2R January News



Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a restful holiday. I want to thank everyone for all of the lovely Christmas gifts that were given to me.

Spelling Program

The new spelling words will be sent home this Wednesday, January 6th and their test will be on Wednesday, January 13th.

Journal Writing

On the last Friday of each month I will be sending home your child's Journal. Your child will write to you about what they are learning about in school. This will be a wonderful opportunity for you to see your child progress with writing. As well, it will keep you up to date with what your child is learning at school.

Please spend time reading their entry and respond to it in writing. We don't often correct spelling or grammar because it is in a journal format. Simply respond to what your child writes to you. Remind your child to return their journals on the following Monday and look for them in their backpacks on the last Friday of the month.

Math

From time to time I will be sending home math homework. The math homework will be marked with the date that I would like it to be returned to school.

Reading

Please continue to read with your child at least 15 minutes daily. Students should have finished at least three bookworms at this point of the year. I recommend that at least one bookworm be completed each month. Over the next couple of weeks I am going to be assessing each student's reading level.

By March, the students are expected to read and comprehend instructionally at level 2-2 to be at grade level.

Book Orders

Scholastic book orders will be due Tuesday, January 12th (checks only).

Health

In Health, We are starting a unit on Nutrition. Please send a food flyer with your child to school on Wednesday, January 13th. We will be doing an activity where we need to cut the pictures out of the flyers.

Skating

We will be going skating at the Agrena on January 21 from 8:45-9:55am and on January 28 from 8:45-9:55am. Please send your child with skates and a helmet. The school has extra helmets to borrow if your child does not have one. Parents are welcome to come and skate. In order to maximize our skating time, I will need adults to help tie skates. Please write in your child's agenda if you are available to help.

Curriculum we are working on this month:

Language Learning- a variety of reading, writing, listening, spelling, printing and phonics activities based on our monthly theme, "Winter Wonderland."

Math- addition and subtraction facts to 18 and Two-digit addition.

-Science- Exploring Liquids

- Social- Looking at People from Saskatoon, Metaghan and Iqualuit

- Health- Nutrition

- Religion- Epiphany, Let's Treasure God's Gift

- Art- a variety of winter art projects

Lily the Hamster

If your family would like to take Lily the hamster home for the weekend, please let me know a few days in advance. We will arrange her pick up on the Friday. I will also send home a journal with the hamster. Students who take Lily home will be expected to write one journal entry about their weekend with Lily. The journal will be read to the class on the Monday when Lily returns.

Parent Volunteers

Please sign the calendar posted outside of our classroom if you would like to be a parent helper in our class.

Have a warm and cozy month! If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at the school. Happy New Year!

Yours in teaching,

Trisha Rudiger