

# Mrs. Drew's Second Grade News

Week of: September 4-8, 2017

*This is what we did this week:*



**Religion** – This week the children listened to “Moses Leads God’s People”, “Exodus”, and “God Gives His People Food and Water.” Students learned that God shows His love for us by delivering His people from trouble and giving them a new start. God also shows His love by providing for our physical and spiritual needs. We rejoice that God uses His power to set us free from sin through Jesus’ death and resurrection. We worship God in thanksgiving for His love, care, and protection.

## Memory Verse:

(For Thursday September 14, 2017.)

“Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.”

Matthew 5:44

**Reading** – Students were excited to begin reading groups this week! Our Wonders reading curriculum stories focused on how families around the world are the same and different. The genre for this week was realistic fiction. We read the stories Maria Celebrates Brazil and Big Red Lollipop. Students identified characters, settings and events. Students read and sorted sentences by type: command; question; exclamation; or statement. Students worked on identifying the subject in a sentence. We continue to work on alphabetizing skills and proper punctuation in sentence writing.

**Vocabulary** words this week: aside; culture; fair; invited; language; plead; scurries; share.

I am sending home a list of High Frequency words from our Wonders Curriculum. Please help your child learn the HF words. The first 50 words will be assessed before our first conference.

**Phonics** - Students worked with digraphs sh and ch. We learned about voiced s in the final position making the sound /z/. Students completed a phonics assessment.



**Math** - Students took a math assessment, worked on area with pattern blocks, addition facts with doubles, adding 0 and adding 1. We continued to work with ordinal positions, acted out number stories and worked on using logical reasoning to solve problems.

**Science** - We learned about some of the animals in China.

**Social Studies** - To coordinate with our reading curriculum, we are learning about other cultures. We were very pleased to welcome Thao Bair to our class to speak to us about the culture of Viet Nam. Mrs. Bair was born in Viet Nam and shared with the children about her life as a child in Viet Nam. The students are also learning about China and Chinese culture.

The children all looked wonderful in their red on Thursday for National Wear Red Day for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. We watched a Brain Pop Jr. video to help us understand a little more about Duchenne M.D.

### Spelling Words

August	September	another	new	show	brand	clog
clam	fond	crept	crop	crust	draft	drop
loft	flip	swift	grin	hint	list	

The spelling words consist of 5 high frequency words and 15 words that can be spelled phonetically. The phonetically spelled words go along with our phonics lessons. The students have learned songs which help them spell the months of August and September. Students will need to remember the rule of C and K in order to correctly spell the words with the initial sound of /k/. Remind them to use the Farmer K song to help them.

# Reminders

## Upcoming Events

- Sunday, September 10 11:00 a.m. 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade choir sing during church.
- Sunday, September 17 - PTL Mother/Son Dodgeball 2-4 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 26 Field Trip to Botanica 9:15 a.m.
- Please pray for a safe return for Nathanael Strang and his family. They are currently in Florida.

