



September 17, 2018

Week 5

2nd Grade Semester

Dear 2nd Grade Parents,

Curriculum for this week:

- **Religion:** Hear how God talked to Moses through a burning bush and how God used Moses to lead his people out of slavery in Egypt.
- **Reading:** Finish reading *Exploring Space With an Astronaut* by Patricia J. Murphy, enjoy small group reading, and dream about life on Mars.
- **Spelling:** Finish Unit 1 as we take the dictation test and learn how to create our personalized Words to Learn list.
- **Phonics:** Review and practice long vowel sounds spelled CVCe. (Consonant-Vowel-Consonant-silent e).
- **Grammar:** Continue to practice writing complete sentences as we identify subjects in the sentences.
- **Writing:** Continue proofreading our "Who Am I" book pages.
- **Math:** Create and read a repeating pattern (ABB, ABC, ABBC); identify weekdays and weekends; create, read, and draw a pictograph; learn to identify polygons; and practice the +2 facts.
- **Science:** Begin our nutrition unit as we discover the food groups; practice identifying what foods belong in each group and discover which snacks are healthier than others. The USDA has updated their Food Pyramid and it is now called My Plate. Please visit www.choosemyplate.gov for many helpful hints and tools such as meal tracking and meal planning. We will also be using this site in class as we learn about the different food groups.
- I am asking for parents to supply fruit and vegetable samples (10 bite size pieces) for our tasting party this Thursday, 9/20. I'd like 3 fruits and 3 vegetables that might be new/unique to the children, such as starfruit, prickly pear, edamame, beets, etc. To sign up to provide these, please go to <http://signupschedule.com/mrsjanetzke> and type which fruit/veggie you'll send in the comments section. Don't forget that the shopping and chopping of this counts as PIP hours!
- I could use 1-2 parent volunteers on **Wednesday, 9/26 from 2:30-3:10** for science centers. Let me know if you're available!
- Please send in grocery store ads you are finished with as we'll use them for an upcoming project. Thanks!
- **Second Step:** Continue Unit 1, Skills for Learning, with a lesson on using self-talk.

Upcoming dates:

- **Tuesday, 9/18-** Green Earth Institute permission slips due
- **Thursday, 9/20-** Fruit/veggie sampling day
- **Friday, 9/21-** NO SCHOOL for Oktoberfest set-up
- **Friday, 9/21-** Trivia Night, 6-9
- **Saturday, 9/22-** OKTOBERFEST from 12-10!! We sing 1:00-1:10 and also at 1:35.
Students will remain with their parents, watching the other groups sing, between our 2 performances.

Star Student

This week we will finish learning about Mrs. Janetzke. Please keep me and my family in your family's prayers!

Memory Corner:

Due THURSDAY 9/20

"Teach me to do your will,
for you are my God! Psalm
143:10"

Home Connection: Remind children that even though we can't hear God speak directly to us like Moses did, we can hear His will for us when we read and learn His Word.

Let's have a blessed week in Christ!

Mrs. Janetzke