



The 2nd Grade Scoop

March 2014

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 3/3 Dr. Seuss' birthday
Celebrity readers will be
visiting Indian Hills!
- 3/6 End of 3rd nine weeks
No School-Staff Work Day
- 3/7 NO SCHOOL-SPRING BREAK
- 3/17-21



Upcoming Info

April is ROAD TRIP Time

Here's the scoop on our next and last road trip:

- We will be heading to **The Children's Discovery Center** for a special program called "Money Matters".
- Mrs. Baxter's Mrs. Manner's and classes will be going on Tuesday, April 15th.
- Mrs. Myers' and Mrs. Scott's classes will be going on Thursday, April 17th.
- **Please send \$6.00 cash.**
- We would love to have **five** parents from each classroom go along with us. **The fee for parent volunteers is \$5.00.**
- **More detailed information will be coming closer to the date.**

Academic Update

Math: The children will measure with inch models and make a ruler. Next, they will estimate different objects in inches and feet. We'll do "hands on" activities to measure in inches and feet using a ruler, yardstick, and a measuring tape. Finally, they will organize measurement data into a line plot.

Social Studies: This month we will study communication and transportation. We get to learn about how things were in the "olden days." ☺

Writing: Our second graders are showing their powerful writing skills. They are writing to include a main idea and supporting details. Not only can these powerful writers spin a great story to entertain, but they are also learning about research and writing reports. Mrs. Hartpence has helped us during library time. You rock, Mrs. Hartpence!

Reading: We are learning about how good readers use nonfiction text features like boldface type, captions, and italics to interpret information and meaning. We're becoming experts at making predictions and inferring the author's meaning.

Science: The second graders will "rock" into learning about rocks and soil. We'll sort, compare, and record rocks by size, shape, color, and texture. Our data will be graphed and analyzed. We'll discover that soils come in many different colors and textures, and they can retain water differently. Your child will have many opportunities to explore using "hands on" experiments throughout this fascinating unit!