

## February 2017 Newsletter

### Grade 2R



Dear Parents,

It is so hard to believe that we are already in the second month of 2017. I'm so excited about the growth that I have seen in all of the students in our class this year! It is particularly important at this time of the year to encourage them to continue to read every day as well as to expand their horizons in their writing. I love it when they tell me that they are writing letters, Journal entries, and creative stories at home!! If they wish to share any of these pieces of writing at school, please encourage them to bring them and I will make sure they get the opportunity to be a guest reader of their own creations! Yay 2R!!!

#### Language Arts

**Reading:** Please continue to read every night! Remember to share the who, what and where of the story as well as to ask lots of questions!

**Fry sight words:** Just a reminder to continue to practice the word lists at home. Remember to return them when they are mastered so that we can check your child's instant recognition of them and then move them on to the next set of lists.

**Working with Words:** The Making Words program has been going extremely well. We will continue to write the high frequency words in our agenda every Friday. I am hearing that some of the children have been writing these words into sentences at home and are working at focusing on correctly spelling them. Way to go 2R!



**Math:**

We are continuing our Pattern unit. The students are already great at recognizing, creating and extending a core pattern. Now they are learning all about increasing patterns!

**Science:**

We are continuing to work through our unit entitled **Hot and Cold Temperatures.**

**Social Studies:**

We are continuing to discover and explore the four communities in Canada. This second unit focuses on the language in these communities as well as different traditions and celebrations.

**Scholastic Book Order:**

Attached is the book order form for the month of February. If you wish to order, please make your **cheque payable to Scholastic Canada Inc.** The due date for these orders will be **Monday February 6<sup>th</sup>.**

**Friend of the Week:**

Our Friend of the Week program is continuing to go well. We will **not** be having a "friend" during the **week of February 20<sup>th</sup>** as it is a very short week.

**Valentine's Day:**

We will be exchanging Valentine cards with each other in our class in the afternoon of **Tuesday February 14<sup>th</sup>**. At this time we will share any small treats that the children would like to give and open our cards to one another. Please ensure that your child sends a Valentine for each student in the class so that some children do not feel left out. A class list is included below to help your child create their Valentine cards. There are no parent helpers required for this activity.

**2R Class List**

Lucas	Claire	Austin	Ryker	Caleb
Sadie	Brody	Olivia	Marlee	
Nicole	Brady	Rylee	Sebastian	
Abbey	Cash	Connor	Kaylah	
Emerson	Aiden	Fiona	Liam	





### **Privilege Days:**

Grades 1 and 2 are holding **Privilege Days** over the next four months in order to raise money for Holy Family School's sponsored Foster Child. Our first Privilege Day will be **Jeans and Jersey Day on Thursday, February 16**. The cost to participate by wearing jeans and a jersey to school will be **50 cents**.

### **Important Dates for February**

**February 3<sup>rd</sup>** - Canyon Family Ski Night

**February 6<sup>th</sup>** - Hot lunch (Pita Pit)

**February 9<sup>th</sup>** - "Seussical" play at the Memorial Center

**February 13<sup>th</sup>** - Hot lunch (Opa)

**February 14<sup>th</sup>** - Exchange Valentine's cards in the afternoon

**February 16<sup>th</sup>** - Privilege Day - Bring 50 cents to wear Jeans and a Jersey

**February 20<sup>th</sup>** - Family Day - NO SCHOOL

**February 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Wear a pink shirt for Anti-bullying day

**February 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>** - Teacher's Convention - NO SCHOOL

**February 27<sup>th</sup>** - Hot Lunch (Boston Pizza)

**February 28<sup>th</sup>** - Shrove Tuesday - Pancake lunch will be provided

- School Spirit Day - Beach Day
- Bucket Filler Assembly @ 12:45 p.m. in the Gym

Have a great February. 2R parents and kids are TERRIFIC!!

God Bless,  
Cathy Ratzlaff

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			1	2	3 Canyon Family Ski Night	4
5	6 Hot Lunch (Pita Pit)	7	8	9 Grade 2 classes go to see "Seussical" 	10	11
12	13 Hot Lunch (Opa)	14 Valentine's Day 	15	16 Jeans and Jersey Day 	17	18
19	20 Family Day NO SCHOOL	21 	22 Pink Shirt Day 	23 Teacher's Convention NO SCHOOL	24 Teacher's Convention NO SCHOOL	25
26	27 Hot Lunch (Boston Pizza)	28 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Lunch Bucket Filler Assembly @ 12:45pm Beach Day 				