

Miss Mathews 1st and 2nd Combo Class

9/10/2021

Happy Friday Parents! Wow how the school year is flying. In bible, we learned about Esau and Jacob. We talked about how Jacob was supposed to get the blessing, but Esau lied so Jacob couldn't get the blessing. We talked a lot about lying and sins. We learned that we can ask for forgiveness when we lie and Jesus will forgive us. In science, we finished our unit 1 on science tools. We will review this unit and take a test next week. In history, we continued to work in our geography packet. We will finish that early next week and take a test on that as well. In writing, we wrote about school rules. We are learning topic sentences, adding details to our writing and using a closing sentence.

First Grade: In ELA, we learned about action verbs. We talked about many different action verbs and how we use them to describe an action. We continued to work on forming a complete sentence using capitalization and punctuation. In math, we are continuing to work on our numbers. We started working on telling time, counting coins, and angles of shapes. We will have a math test next Friday.

Second Grade: In ELA, we learned about different types of sentences. We looked at commands, statements, questions and exclamations. We are continuing to practice writing in complete sentences using punctuation and capitalization. We continued to practice subject and predicate. They are getting pretty good at this concept. In math, we are working on telling time, days of the week, and addition using plus 2. The students have been doing a great job in their math. We will have a math test next Friday.

Sight Words: Both 1st and 2nd now have sight words they should be working on. Once your child knows their sight words, please send the list or word wave back into class and they will be tested on them. Any student who finishes reading all first grade word waves (26 of them) or 2nd grade sight words list (16 of them) by the end of the year, will get to have a pizza party with me!

Classroom Birthdays: We love birthdays in our classroom! If your child has a birthday and wants to celebrate with the class, please let me know. You can send in cupcakes, donuts, gift bags or even have a pizza party. Let me know if there is something special you would like to do!

Classroom Volunteers: I know many parents have asking about volunteering in the classroom. We will have different volunteer opportunities such as field trips and class parties. I usually don't need parent volunteers in the classroom during the day since we have Miss Cindy or Miss Paden in our class as a classroom aide. If anyone would like to take home weekly or occasion grading for partnership hours, please let me know. I can send home packets, tests and other papers for parents whenever I have them.

Homework Packets: Homework will go home in homework folders. Their homework is due next Friday 9/17. If your child finishes their homework early, they are more than welcome to turn it in before Friday. Please make sure they are turning in their homework folders as well.

This will help keep their new homework packet safe and allows me to send home some work we have done during the week.

Supplies: Here are some things we need for our class that can be used for partnership hours:

- Copy paper
- Clorox wipes
- Hand Soap
- Treasure box toys (these can be bought at the dollar store- small toys, playdough, pencils, stickers, or anything else you can think of)
- Utensils such as forks and spoons

Partnership Hours: Please make sure you are filling out partnership hours **monthly** and turning them in. If you purchase anything for our classroom, please keep the receipt and attach it to the partnership hours' form. I will sign it off and turn it into the office for you.

Consumables: If your child has not brought in their consumables, please have them bring them in. We use these consumables for copying and keeping the classroom clean!

Important Dates:

9/7: Apples for the Arts Fundraiser Starts

9/15: Picture Day- Chapel Dress

9/24: Minimum Day

First Grade Spelling Words (short vowel e):

1. yet
2. web
3. pen
4. wet
5. leg
6. hen
7. step
8. kept
9. fed
10. Greg

Second Grade Spelling Words (long vowel a, i):

1. doze
2. nose
3. use
4. rose
5. pole
6. close

7. cute
8. woke
9. mule
10. rode
11. role
12. tune
13. home
14. joke

Challenge words:

1. wrote
2. ice cube

Bible Verse (1st and 2nd):

“Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go.” Genesis 28:15