



October 22, 2009

Here is what we are doing in second grade..☺

### **Language Arts:**

This week and next week, the classes are learning about cause and effect in a fictional text. Classes are reading If You Take a Mouse to School and other stories to find out the causes and effects. Next week we will also "read to perform a task" when we make the scarecrows.

### **Word study:**

This week we worked on ending blends. We will work on different ending blends next week.

### **Math:**

Classes are working on finding the area of a rectangle. We are using color tiles to help us solve the number of "square units" of a given shape.

### **Handwriting:**

We continue to review the uppercase and lowercase print letters.

### **Grammar:**

This week we reviewed capitalizing proper nouns. Next week we will learn about exclamation points/marks.

### **Science:**

Classes have started the science unit, Changes. We do experiments and record what "changes" we observe.



### **Important dates:**

**Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>**-Fall Festival. There is an alternative activity if you do not want your child to participate. However, we mostly focus our party on "fall". Money (\$3.00) and shirts are due by Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. **2 hour early dismissal**

**Monday, November 2nd** - Schools Closed for students

## Fall Party:

Thank you to everyone who has sent in the shirt for the scarecrows and/or the money for the fall party. Please send in both the money and the shirt by Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> so that we can have all of the supplies ready for the scarecrow and the party.



**Our emails:** *(Please note you must spell the name correctly or the email will not go through)*

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## Thank you:

- Thank you to the children for working so hard everyday.
- Thank you for sharing your children with us.

Middletown is a great place to come and learn!

(And a great place to work 😊)

## Next Week's Highlights

**Monday- Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>**

Students work on:

**Reading:** cause and effect  
**Math:** shapes and graphing  
**Grammar:** exclamation points  
**Word Study:** ending blends  
**Science:** experiments

**\*\*Friday-** Fall Party and 2 hour early dismissal

## Next week:

In recognition of character counts week and red ribbon week, MPS has planned some fun "dress-up" days. If your child would like to participate on one or all of the days, the list below shows what to wear.

**Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>-** Wear your favorite team sport shirt.

Fairness - "We can play by the rules."

**Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>** -Wear sweatpants or sweatshirt.

Caring- "No sweat, we care about our friends."

**Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>** - Wear crazy socks or mix/match socks.

Respect- Everyone is unique!

**Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup>** - Wear MPS colors/clothing.

Citizenship and Responsibility- "We care about our School/Community and we are responsible to make good choices while at school."

**Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>** - Fall Party Clothes.

Trustworthiness-We can be trustworthy to do a good job at our fall parties.