

October 8, 2009

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

### Language Arts:

This week classes are reviewing text features. We are reviewing before, during and after reading strategies with a non-fiction text.

### Writing:

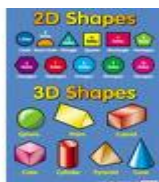
Classes worked on a mental imaging writing last week and this week. Classes used their senses to think about fall. After we had tasted, smelled, touched, looked at and heard "fall", the students wrote about it. The writings are currently hanging in our hallway. When you come in for conferences make sure to check them out.

### Word study:

No new word study next week.

### Math:

Classes are working on 2D and 3D shapes. Classes had the opportunity to make 3D shapes using play dough and toothpicks. We learned about faces and vertices. We looked for 3D shapes in our world.



### Grammar:

This week we reviewed capitalizing proper nouns. Next week we will review capital letters and ending punctuation (periods and question marks.)

### Social Studies:

Classes worked on a comparison between maps and globes. We also learned about wants and needs. We reviewed for Friday's unit one test. We will start Science next week.



### Important dates:

**Monday-Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup>**- Book Fair at MPS

**Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>** – Evening conferences. The doors open at 12:30 and school starts at 1:00. NO LUNCH is served.

**Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>** – Evening conferences. The doors open at 12:30 and school starts at 1:00. NO LUNCH is served.

**Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>** – Afternoon conferences. School is dismissed at noon. Lunch is served.

**Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>** – No School

## Book Fair:



Don't forget to visit the book fair when you come for conferences ☺. Your child will preview the book fair Thursday or Friday of this week and bring home a wish list ☺.

## Conferences:

We look forward to meeting with everyone next week. If you cannot remember your conference time please let your child's teacher know.

**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- Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>**

Students will work on:

- \* Reading- text features
- \* Math- shapes
- \* Science- changes/experiments
- \* Grammar- Review capital letters and punctuation

**Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>-**

No School

## The week of October 12<sup>th</sup>:

*Please note all of the different hours the week of October 12<sup>th</sup>.*

**Tuesday and Wednesday,**

**October 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>-** School starts 4 hours late. The doors open at 12:30 and school starts at 1:00. There is **not** a lunch block. Students will follow the usual afternoon schedule.

**Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>-** School dismisses 3 ½ hours early. Students are dismissed at 12:00. There is lunch on this day.

**Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>-** No School