MRS. KUIECK'S SECOND GRADE NEWS

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KUIECK'S KIDDOS
2011-2012

Be Nice. Work Hard. Learn Well

Look What We've Been Up To...

Daily 5/ Reading

The boys and girls have now mastered both Read to Self and Read to Someone (checking for understanding and also being a reading coach). This week we learned another Daily 5 choice, Word Work. During this choice, boys and girls practice core words using various activities.

This week the boys and girls hit a HUGE milestone, they have built their reading stamina to 32 minutes... WOW! Our goal in second grade is to maintain 25 minutes of stamina so I am very pleased. I am continuing to complete individual reading assessments with children as we prepare for their individual instruction.

Writer's Workshop

Key concepts we've concentrated on this week:

* Using periods, capital letters and identifying contractions.

* Being an editor, working with a partner to plan and planning stories across our fingers.

Math

We are developing a tool box of strategies to solve +/- problems including using the count on strategy and the make a ten strategy. Please use the flashcards at home to continue to build upon these skills. There are also some games online that are linked on our blog under MATH.

WORD STUDY:

Here are the words we will be concentrating on:

which   their   said   if   do

Dear Families,

I have to say that each day I spend with my little second graders I fall more in love with them. They are all working so hard and continue to make good choices as well as learn from their mistakes.

Hopefully Reading Counts is going well at home. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns!

Love,

Mrs. Kuieck

Things to Note:

* Walk A Thon money is due September 30!!

* If you signed up to be a volunteer in the classroom... WE CAN'T WAIT TO HAVE YOU!!!......but protocol states that we have to wait until the background checks are complete. We should have the all clear in the next few weeks :). Thank you for your patience.

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