

# Second Grade News

Character Traits of the Month: Satisfaction, Pride, Personal Reflection  
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Dear Parents,

This week has felt like summer, with the heat and humidity. Please continue to remember the school dress code, as well as water bottles. We will be doing end-of-year testing shortly, as there are only 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  weeks left. Encourage your child to continue doing his/her best each day, as we finish this school year.

We will not be able to take out Library books for the remainder of the school year. Therefore, today was our last Reading Club for the year. Thanks to all of you who helped during this year by coming to listen to us read at Reading Club. Whether you came just once, or were able to come more frequently, I really appreciate your help. The children have read and tested successfully on a great number of A.R. books this year, because of all the help we've had at Reading Club!

We really enjoyed our trip to the Anderson Center yesterday to see "Henry and Mudge". We discussed that it was a musical, because it was a story with speaking and songs, and not an opera, which would have only singing, and no speaking. Be sure to talk about it, and ask about connections to the books we read.

Next Friday, June 4, Alexia's mom is going to bring pizza and juice for our class for lunch. If your child doesn't want pizza, he/she can bring lunch or get lunch as usual from the cafeteria. Otherwise, we'll enjoy this treat from Mrs. Barnes for lunch on Friday. Thank you so much, Mrs. Barnes! ☺

There will be a Cookbook and Bake Sale this Saturday, May 29, beginning at 9 am at Schneider's. If you didn't yet purchase one of our Bell School Cookbooks, this is a perfect opportunity, as well as enjoying some delicious baked goods.

Enjoy the Memorial Day holiday on Monday, with the 3 day weekend to kick off the summer season. We'll return to school on Tues. June 1<sup>st</sup>, Day 5 (Music & Computer Lab - last A.R. tes; **last PTO meeting @ 6:30**); Wed. - Day 6 (P.E.); Thurs. - Day 1 (Library - no books will be checked out); Fri. - Day 2 (P.E. & pizza lunch supplied by Mrs. Barnes).

Next week our Spelling words will be homophones, so the children will need to study the *meaning of each word, as well as the correct spelling*. In Math, we are finishing our study of measurement, using a ruler correctly, and understanding how to read and write *whole and half inches (e.g. 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches, etc)*, and also symmetry and where to draw lines of symmetry. Remember blue books and Communicators on Tues. **Happy Memorial Day, as we honor those who've fought and died to preserve our freedoms!** Sincerely, Mrs. Costello