

# 2ND GRADE

February 10, 2015



## Dear Second Grade Families,

This week the Second Graders celebrated the 100th day of school on Tuesday. It was great to see the variety of 100 items that were brought in! We had Cheeze It crackers, beans, pennies, Pokemon cards, plastic animals, Leggos, and alphabet letters. Each student chose how they wanted to sort their 100 items by placing them in groups and then skip counting with the class. Afterward, we compared the different items in a clear jar to see what 100 looked like. There was a big difference in the size of 100 beans compared to 100 Leggos. We talked about estimating and how it can be tricky.

We also started learning how to type. I am going to have the second graders begin to learn to type in Language Arts every week. The typing program is called BBC Dance Mat Typing. If you would like to check it out the website is: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/guides/z3c6tfr>. This is an important skill for them to learn early. They also took the Star 360 math and reading assessment again. There was much improvement from the first assessment. They are learning how to take this assessment using a computer.

On Monday the students took the Unit 9 test in Foundations. Unit 10 focuses on the double vowels and marking them as syllables. This packet is due back after vacation. In Math, the second graders are working on adding three digit number with regrouping. This concept is going well for all of them, which I am ecstatic to see.

February 13th is our Valentines party. If your child has Valentines, they can hand them out in the morning. Tomorrow is also a noon release. Thanks for all of the milk jugs that have been brought in. I am hoping to get the igloo built and finished before vacation.

Have a great week!

Mrs. Hook