



# SECOND GRADE NEWS

Academy Awards, Reading, Writing, Social Studies

## Academy Awards of Books

On Wednesday, April 20 Hill will celebrate our love of reading with The Academy Awards of Books. On this day your child is encouraged to come to school dressed as his/her favorite book character. We encourage costumes be simple and created from items found at home. The day will include the lower school's parade of characters as we walk the red carpet, past the paparazzi into the theater for a full school assembly. The assembly will be hosted by Sherlock Holmes and Nancy Drew as our focus this year is on reading mysteries. The children are already excited and we look forward to seeing them in costume on April 20th!

APRIL 7, 2016

QUESTIONS FOR YOUR  
2ND GRADER THIS  
WEEK:

Would you like to make an Arbor Day poster or take a tree photograph? See **Take Note** for info!

Let's practice math combinations through the twelves!

What does good sportsmanship mean? What have you been working on in sports?

How did the fire drill go today?

What is your monster book going to be about? What will the monster look like?

Do you have any overdue library books?

### Reading and Writing Workshops

- ◆ We continue to enjoy reading and writing monster books.
- ◆ In reading, most have started completing their two weekly Accelerated Reader quizzes on favorite books in their zone. (ask your child if he/she has)
- ◆ We are noticing that those students who are consistently reading for 30 minutes each night are improving in most or all areas of reading!
- ◆ We are monstrously excited...Krister Killinger is coming tomorrow to help us illustrate our monsters for our Monster unit in reading and writing workshops! Ask your child tomorrow afternoon what his/her monster looks like!

### Social Studies

- ◆ We jumped into birding with both feet since coming back from vacation!
- ◆ We worked in our sketch books,
- ◆ We saw one of "our" bald eagles, sitting, presumably, on eggs in her nest! Our eagle experts shared a lot of interesting information last week!
- ◆ We learned how to find birds in our bird guides!
- ◆ We learned about a website we will use to research birds.
- ◆ We received our bird research guides and learned about the details we will include in filling them out!
- ◆ Coming soon... a bird cam we will be following!



Check out *Curves, Angles, Dots* for our published second graders!

### CALENDAR

Raptor Conservancy 4/11  
Coming to our classroom  
Parent Conferences 4/14  
No School  
Spring Holiday 4/15