

Second Grade News

October 3, 2019



What kind of bird
am I?
(Tell Ms. W. and
earn a pompom)

(Remember Willy Was
Different...)

Notes

- ⇒ It was so nice to see many of you at Back to School Night last week. We hope we answered your questions about our week and the second grade curriculum. We shared the slide show and the game with the students and they thoroughly enjoyed both—we hope you did also! If you did not already do so, please fill out the “My Thoughts About _____” page and return it to us. Thank you!
- ⇒ Next Friday is Arboretum Day. We will be celebrating Hill School's Arboretum and we will be outdoors much of the afternoon. Please dress your child in outdoor attire!
- ⇒ The second graders have sketched and painted leaves with water color. Please stop by the wall outside the library to see their beautiful works of art!
- ⇒ Please be sure your child keeps or has a water bottle at school every day!

Questions for Your Second Grader:

Let's practice tying
your shoes!

What is a memoir? Tell
me how you and your class-
mates are choosing topics to
write about.

Solve this equation and
show your work: $28-16=$ _____

I understand that you
are discussing and painting
leaves in art class. What kind
of tree do acorns come from?
What kind of leaf is shaped
like a fan? What kinds of
leaves did you choose to paint?

Give me some factual
information about mammals,
reptiles, and amphibians.

Reading and Writing Workshops Memoirs

We started reading memoirs this week. We have read, *Feel the Summer* and *Summer Wheels*. We continue to discuss and practice what good readers do, and we started noticing the opening lines of the books we read—do the opening lines draw us into the book? Capture our attention? Or is there something else that makes us want to read more of the story? How does the author share excitement?

In writing workshop we are brainstorming the many life events that we can write about. Some students had ten ideas, others only the required five. We paired up to tell our stories orally and to ask our partner's opinion of which story would seem the most inviting to our audience. We can't wait to jump into more of the writing process!

Dates to Remember

Faculty Dev. Day	10/7
NO SCHOOL	
Parent Teacher Conference day	10/17
Fall Holiday	10/18
Blandy Farm Field Trip	10/22
Airlie Trip	11/8