



Crossroads School Second Grade Newsletter

Parent – Teacher Connection

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Overview of Second Grade STAR Results in Reading

Strengths: 84 % of second grade students are reading at or above grade level.

Opportunities for Growth: Students need additional practice in fluency and vocabulary. Students also need more practice with answering questions about what they have read.

Building our Superpower

In the Classroom:

Teachers will be teaching strategies and chunking text to help students think about and answer questions about what they have read.

At Home:

Parents can help their children by ensuring they are reading 15- 20 minutes each day and asking them questions about what they have read or having them retell the story.

Curriculum Corner

Reading-(2.7, 2.8, 2.9) In quarter 4 students will continue to strengthen comprehension skills in both fiction and nonfiction. Our focus will be on building vocabulary and locating information.

Writing-(2.12, 2.13) We will be learning how to do research and descriptive writing.

Math-(2.14,15) We have been learning about probability and graphs. **(2.4,12,13)** We will also be learning about fractions and geometry this quarter.

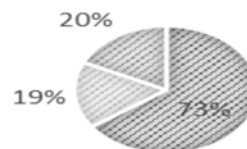
Science- (2.5, 2.8) Our units in science this quarter include animal habitats, living and nonliving things, fossils, and the importance of plants.

Social Studies- (2.6) We are working on geography. We have been learning to identify the oceans and continents. We will be learning mountain ranges, Great Lakes, and major rivers in the US. **(2.8,9,10)** We will also be learning economics this quarter.



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- Tier 1- At or above grade level
- Tier 2- below grade level
- Tier 3- significantly below grade level



Important Dates: Second grade had a wonderful time on our field trip to the Learning Barge this month. The students were divided into small groups and had the opportunity to do many activities to learn about our area and habitats. We have a few upcoming field trips in May and June. More information about these exciting trips will be heading home soon.

May 10th - Botanical Gardens

May 29th - Norfolk Zoo