

Mrs. Martens Weekly News Letter

September 18-22, 2017

Hello parents! We've had another great week. I'm really enjoying **all** of the second grade class -lots of great personalities! Our Jog-A-Thon assembly was so fun on Monday! If you have not returned your Jog-A-Thon packets yet, please do so as soon as possible. We have some great prizes for our kids if we all get them in right away. Some of the following information will be redundant while we are still getting into our weekly habits. Thanks for hanging in there with us. We're still making a few adjustments as things come up, so I appreciate your patience. 😊

1. **Specials:** The second grade class has P.E. Tuesdays, Technology Wednesdays and Library on Thursdays. *****There is no library this week due to IRI testing.**
2. **Snacks:** We will not be having corporate classroom snacks this year. Each individual second grader must bring their own healthy snack to eat during our morning break. One will not be provided. *****I will include this reminder for a little while yet, just to ensure that we get into the swing of things.**
3. **Homework: Memory verses** will regularly be sent home to study as homework. Some questions I would like to answer about this – We will be memorizing memory verses, so be sure to practice with your kids at home. We will have each memory verse for two weeks at least, to ensure that your student is able to get them in their hearts - not to mention, some verses are a little long for them to memorize in one week. **Spelling-**We have been having weekly spelling tests on Fridays. However, with this new curriculum, we have several tests on Friday, and I feel like it's a little overwhelming to the kids. I would like to send spelling lists home on Friday for the following week, have our pretest on Monday, and our regular spelling test on Thursday. I will also administer our vocabulary test on Thursday. I think this will take a little pressure of the kids and allow them to have a little let down at the end of the week so it's not such a heavy work day. Don't forget the **spelling activities list** for students at home. This sheet is entitled "**Spelling Homework Ideas**" – please help your child choose **three** spelling activities throughout the week, **initial next to the activity when completed, and send the sheet back with them on or before Thursday** in preparation for their spelling test. If a student is not finishing their daily work, then it will be sent home to be completed as homework. Thank you for your support in this matter. Please help your child as needed, and make sure that all homework is **returned the next day, unless otherwise indicated**. If your family needs a little more time, then I will expect all homework returned to school **by Friday**, in order to be counted as credit for your student.

Important Dates

September 11-22: MAP Testing

September 20: Candy Sale

September 25: Picture Day

October 5: CCS Jog-A-Thon (12:30 Early release)

Feel free to email me with any questions or concerns cmartens@canyonsidechristian.school

Thank you! Mrs. Martens

