



Second Grade News



February 12 – February 15



Dates to Note

- Feb. 16: No School—Teacher Inservice
- Feb. 19: No School—President’s day
- March 1: No school- Parent teacher conferences



Notes

Coach Kuyper requires all children to wear PE-approved shoes for PE.



Our Valentine parties will be on **Wednesday, February 14th**. Be watching for information from your child’s class.

We are starting **timed math fact tests on multiplication and division of 2,5 and 10**. Please be practicing these at home.

Spelling Words

Test on **Thursday, February 15**

Lists 37 and 38

monkey	thread
myself	thunder
noise	try
pencil	tried
pie	vein
pull	except
sew (needle)	aunt
sow (seeds)	ant
so	capture
steam	else

Spelling City:

<https://www.spellingcity.com/TCA2ndgrade/>



History

Our new history unit is *The Civil War*. We will be learning about the controversy over slavery, Harriet Tubman and the Underground Railroad, northern vs. southern states (Yankees and Rebels), Ulysses S. Grant and Robert E. Lee, Clara Barton (“Angel of the Battlefield” and the founder of the American Red Cross), and President Abraham Lincoln (keeping the Union together, the *Emancipation Proclamation* and the end of slavery).

Sayings for February

In hot water
Keep your fingers crossed



February Poem

Lincoln

By Nancy Byrd Turner

There was a boy of other days,
A quiet, awkward, earnest lad,
Who trudged long weary miles
to get
A book on which his heart was
set—
And then no candle had!

He was too poor to buy a lamp
But very wise in woodmen’s
ways.
He gathered seasoned bough
and stem,
And crisping leaf, and kindled
them
Into a ruddy blaze.

Then as he lay full length and
read,
The firelight flickered on his
face,
And etched his shadow on the
gloom,
And made a picture in the room,
In that most humble place.

The hard years came, the hard
years went,
But, gentle, brave, and strong of
will,
He met them all. And when
today
We see his pictured face, we
say,
“There’s light upon it still.”
