



# 2ND GRADE NEWS

February 5-9

## Here's What's Happening:

<p><b><u>Lincoln</u></b>          By: Nancy Byrd Turner          Due: February 26          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."</p>	<p><b><u>Spelling Assessment</u></b>  <u>Lists 35 &amp; 36</u></p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>breakfast</td><td>fly</td></tr> <tr><td>chance</td><td>forest</td></tr> <tr><td>climb</td><td>freeze</td></tr> <tr><td>coffee</td><td>gentle</td></tr> <tr><td>color</td><td>grow</td></tr> <tr><td>contains</td><td>holes</td></tr> <tr><td>daily</td><td>hotel</td></tr> <tr><td>day</td><td>iron</td></tr> <tr><td>eagle</td><td>living</td></tr> <tr><td>fancy</td><td>live</td></tr> </table>	breakfast	fly	chance	forest	climb	freeze	coffee	gentle	color	grow	contains	holes	daily	hotel	day	iron	eagle	living	fancy	live	<p><b><u>Mark Your Calendar</u></b>          Check out the <a href="#">Elementary Events Calendar</a> for dates.</p> <p><b><u>February 16th</u></b>          No School—Teacher In-service</p> <p><b><u>February 19th</u></b>          No School—President's Day</p> <p><b><u>March 1st</u></b>          No School—Parent Teacher Conferences</p>
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	<p><b><u>Valentines Parties</u></b>          Your classroom teacher or room parent will be emailing you regarding the details of our upcoming holiday celebration.</p>	<p><b><u>Conferences</u></b>          These are optional conferences. Your classroom teacher will be sending you an email to sign up. Please note that your student's teacher may want to meet with you regarding their progress in habits or academics .</p>																				

## For Your Information:

<p><b><u>Curriculum:</u></b>  <b><u>MATH:</u></b> Chapter 8 (Mental math)          Math newsletter: Click <a href="#">here</a></p> <p><b><u>Core Knowledge:</u></b>          Civil War</p> <p><b><u>Language Arts:</u></b>          Cursive! Please only use the cursive taught in class.</p>	<p><b><u>Core Knowledge Civil War:</u></b></p> <p><i>This week we will begin our Civil War unit. This is a very sensitive unit and we treat it with great respect. There are some conversations that may happen at school that you may wonder about when you hear the '8 year old version' at home. Please know that we keep it very kid appropriate. There are also several songs and books that we read that have some religious background (spiritual influence), however; we do not teach any type of religious lessons or promote one religion over another. If you have questions or concerns throughout the unit, please feel free to contact me first. This unit will cover the causes of the war, the differences between the North and the South, Lee and Grant, Abraham Lincoln (the president)/ the Lincoln Memorial, Harriet Tubman, Clara Barton, and the Emancipation Proclamation. We encourage you to continue having conversations with your child throughout this unit.</i></p>
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