



# Second Grade News



February 5 – February 9



## 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 14<sup>th</sup>. 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 Friday, February 9th**

Columns 35 and 36

breakfast	fly
chance	forest
climb	freeze
coffee	gentle
color	grow
contains	holes
day	hotel
daily	iron
eagle	live
fancy	living

## 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.”

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