

# Mr. Derby's Second Grade

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Dear Student and Family,

As we get into the second semester of second grade, we are preparing students for the level of independence they will need in third grade. This is particularly true when it comes to skills that are required to be successful on CSAP tests they will do in the spring of third grade. I am encouraging the students to use a variety of resources to find the answers to their questions, before asking an adult. Hopefully, this will lead to better independent thinking skills and success as lifelong learners.

~ Mr. Derby

## Bennett Open House

Please help us spread the word about what a great school we have at Bennett. If you know of anyone interested in Bennett or the IB/PYP program, let them know about our open house next Thursday, January 25 during the school day.

Come visit us yourself and bring a friend. See our school in action. The school will be open to all visitors to see what is happening here during the school day.

## THEN AND NOW

Along with our Fort Collins "Then and Now" unit, students will complete projects at home. Next Monday, look for a parent letter about these projects and the first week's homework for the projects.

### Next Week's Homework

- \* **Math:** HomeLink 6.6 (Trade-First Subtraction)
- \* **Spelling:** Week 19 - Consonant Clusters
- \* **Fort Collins History Project:** Week 1 - Pick a Topic

## Person of the Week

### Andre

My name is Andre. My favorite food is chocolate. Baseball is my favorite sport. One thing no one knows about me is I like to collect lots of ribbons and medals. One of my adventures was when I went to Hawaii and saw volcanoes.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Homework Due Tomorrow:
  - **Math:** HomeLink 6.5 (Subtracting With Base-10 Blocks)
  - **Spelling:** Week 18 - Review. Write each word two times and complete the workbook pages.
- Open House - January 25, 8:30 to 3:00
- Sock Hop/Silent Auction - January 26
- No School - Wednesday, January 31