

# Mr. Derby's Second Grade

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Dear Student and Family,

We have a busy end to our year coming up. After the music program tonight, we will keep busy with MAP testing, literacy night, and our field trip next week. Please read on for more information about all these events. **Please look for permission slips for both field trips in this week's brown envelope.** Students will not be able to participate in field trips without these permission slips returned.

~ Mr. Derby

## Literacy Night

Literacy Night is a night when we showcase all the hard work that has been done by students throughout the year. Our class will have a table set up with notebooks containing samples of the writing all students have completed this year. Please join us at Bennett from 6:30 to 8:30 pm on Tuesday, May 8th.

## Fort Collins Master Naturalist

We have arranged a walking field trip to Red Fox Meadows where students will have hands-on experiences with nature and insects. This trip will be on Thursday, May 10. Our class will walk to Red Fox Meadows and have our lesson from 10:50 to 11:50. Then we will return to school for lunch. Since this goes beyond our normal lunch time, students will need to have a cold lunch on this day. If you are not able to provide a lunch on May 10, please let me know and we can arrange for a sack lunch from the school cafeteria.

### Next Week's Homework

- \* **Math:** HomeLinks 11.1 (Buying Art Supplies) and 11.2 (Comparing Costs)
- \* **Spelling:** Week 35 - Compound Words.

## FORT COLLINS FIELD TRIP

The second grade classes will have our Fort Collins field trip on May 17th. During this trip we visit the Avery house, ride the trolley, and participate in activities at the Fort Collins History Museum. We will need some parent volunteers for this trip, so please send me a note or email if you are able to chaperone and would like to come along. Students will also need a sack lunch of disposable items on this day.

## MAP Tests

At the beginning of the year students took a standardized test called the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) for both reading and math. We will take these tests again next week to look at the progress your child has made this year. The information provided from these tests also has been shown to correlate well with CSAP testing data. We will take the reading test on Monday, May 7 and the math test on Wednesday, May 9.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Homework Due Tomorrow:
  - **Math:** HomeLinks 10.10 (4-Digit and 5-Digit Numbers) and 10.11 (Grouping with Parentheses)
  - **Spelling:** Week 34 - homophones. Write each word two times and complete attached worksheets.
- Music Program - Tonight, May 3, 6:30 p.m.
- Literacy Night - May 8, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
- Fort Collins Master Naturalist Field Trip - May 10; 10:50 to 11:50 a.m. - **Sack Lunch**
- Fort Collins History Field Trip - May 17th; all day - **Sack Lunch**