



Cougar Cat Chat

Nursery Elementary School

Thank You Families

Many thanks to our families for attending the recent Parent & Teacher Conferences. We appreciate your presence at Nursery Elementary School. Kids seem to smile when they see their folks on campus! Families have been coming to school to volunteer as

readers, as guides for Math Matters and as library helpers. Second Cup of Coffee and PTO meetings have also provided opportunities for parent to gather. We have families who play together many days after school on the front playground. It is truly wonderful

to see such camaraderie as we educate the youth of the Nursery community. Let us all share fellowship and food on Monday, November 25 during our annual Thanksgiving Feast. Hope to see you then,

Mrs. Suzanne Bell

Suzanne Bell, Principal
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Want to stay connected?

- Our school website is www.nurseryisd.org
- Our school blog is www.nurserycougars.blogspot.com

How to sign up for Nursery Cougar messages?

- To receive messages, text @nurseryco to (817) 756-9341. You can opt out at anytime. Standard text message rates may apply.

Want to know if your books at home are AR books?

- Download the "BookScanner App" to your

Upcoming events...

- Nov 18-22 Canned Food Drive, sponsored by Student Council
- Nov 25 Thanksgiving Feast
- Nov 26 -1:30 RIF Celebration, 3:15 Fundraiser Prize Assembly, 6:00 School Board meeting
- Nov 27-29 Thanksgiving Holiday
- Dec 4 Progress Reports go out
- Dec 13 Early Dismissal



Second Grade ROCKS

wide field trip to the Corn Maze. The last week of the nine weeks was fun with Math Matters and our Reading Camp Out!

In math, we are learning to make bar graphs and pictographs. We made a bar graph on ways we get home from school and the color of the cars in our school parking lot. We have also been learning how to count coins. The students have done a great job with knowing their coins and the value of each.

In reading and lan-

guage arts, we have been learning about the main idea and verbs. We love learning about verbs! It is fun to get to move and act out verbs! Everyone has been working and reading many books to try and make their new AR goals for the second nine weeks! Some second graders are really close to making their goals and it is only the second week of the nine weeks! Way to go second grade!

In science, we are learning about the different parts of a plant.

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This year is flying by! Second graders have been busy little bees! Students have been working really hard in class and reading like crazy to reach their AR goals. We have had many fun activities we have been able to attend! In October second graders got to go to the movie theater and see Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs with Meyersville ISD. We also had our school

2nd Cup of Coffee

Parents! Be sure and mark your JANUARY, 2014 calendars for 2nd Cup at 9 a.m. on the 17th. We will host guest speaker Brenda Anderson from the Texas AgriLife Extension Service. Brenda will

discuss the importance of proper hydration, and also the nutrients, vitamins, and minerals in the colored pigmentation of fruits and vegetables. These topics will provide keys to properly "fueling up" our children for

achieving optimum learning!!! I'll look forward to you joining us in January for 2nd Cup!!! Smiles,

*Rhonda Hooper,
Parent Liaison*



Second Grade ROCKS cont.

We had a fun time creating our own flower and labeling all the different parts of the plant. We will also be learning about the life cycle of a plant and the life cycle of a pumpkin!

In social studies, we have been studying government in our communities. We learned a mayor, council, and a judge's job in our community. Also, we learned how to solve problems with figuring out different solutions to the problem. We had fun

finding problems and discussing different solutions and choosing the best solution to solve our problem.

We are having lots of fun in second grade! I am proud of my students for working so hard every day! Second grade rocks!

Ms. Slovacek



Third Grade reports in....

The first nine weeks of the school year flew by very quickly! Since the start of school I have already seen a change in this group of third graders. The first nine weeks we focused on RESPECT for ourselves, our teachers, our school, and each other. There has been a lot of improvement in this group of students and I know that they will continue to grow and improve throughout the rest of the school year.



As the school bell rings we start our day off with a little daily language review and AR reading. As we finish this, our next act is to move into Language Arts. We work on our spelling skill for the week and prepare for our spelling test on Friday. Following Language Arts we work on grammar and then writing. This week we are focusing on action and being verbs. During writing we are working on developing our writing pieces to become great writers and are focusing on improving our handwriting in preparation for cursive.

The rest of our morning is filled with Science and Social Studies. We have been learning about matter in Science. The students really enjoy performing experiments and closely follow lab rules and procedures. In Social Studies the students are learning about physical characteristics of environments and are starting a research project on different locations throughout the world.

After lunch the students work on Math. We have been focusing on addition and subtraction with regrouping and are now learning about multiplication and division. Students will begin bringing home multiplication flash cards over the next couple of weeks. Please be sure they are practicing these cards every night at home.

Reading follows our Math lesson and ends our extremely busy school day. During this time we work on our vocabulary words for the week and read our story. We also spend some time reading AR. I am exceedingly proud of this group of third grade students because they all made their AR goal this past nine week grading period and got to enjoy our "Reading Campout." Reading is an important part of any child's growth and development, and these students are truly enjoying reading at school and at home. We have changed a lot of things in AR this year to encourage students to read, and the students are enjoying the new additions. Please be sure to encourage your child to read at home each

night.

A few weeks ago the students had an opportunity to visit the Chaloupka Corn Maze in Moulton. The students learned a lot of new things about growing corn and owning a dairy farm. They had an opportunity to ride a barrel train, slide down slides, go on a hay ride, run through numerous mazes, and shoot the corn cannon. They also had fun getting lost in the corn maze and jumping hay bales. Thanks to PTO for making this trip possible!

As we approach the holiday season there are so many things that I have to be thankful for. I am so grateful for this great group of students and wonderful school that I get to attend each and every day. This group continues to amaze me and I am so proud of all of the hard work and dedication I see from each one of them. Thank you parents for all of the time you spend reinforcing academics at home with your child. Without your support and involvement our school would not be what it is today. I hope everyone has a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving!

Mrs. Shilodeaux

