



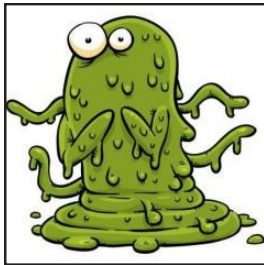
SECOND GRADE NEWS

Monsters and Notes!

Monster Books!

The students returned on Monday to a very large monster bulletin board in the hallway which elicited a lot of conversation! Yes, we will be reading monster books aloud during readers' workshop, and the students will be writing monster stories in writers' workshop. The books and stories will not be presented in a scary way, nor do the monsters the students create need to be frightening. Monsters come in all shapes, sizes, and colors. Monsters can be scary, with sharp pointy teeth, or small, furry, and happy! The monster and character development is very important to this writing endeavor so we will be learning not only how to describe what a character looks like, but the traits he/she holds as well. As you read with your child at home, ask your child what type of person, animal, etc. the main character is and how does your child know? Does the author tell the child in exact words, or is it a feeling your child has as he/she reads the story, and why?

Wait until you see the type of art work your child will do to illustrate his/her monster book! We'll keep you in suspense!!



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Questions to Ask Your Second Grader:

Let's look at your wonderful valentines!

What treats did you have at your valentine exchange?

What are you working on in math class? How would you solve $27+32=$ ___ Using the strategy of tens and ones?

What do you do at recess? Who do you play with?

Do you have books that need to be returned to the classroom or to the library?

Dates to Remember

No School	2/13
Mini Olympics	
Four Food items	2/20
Due for our Spread the Love Drive	
Trip to Trinity's Food Closet	2/20
Hill Talent Show	2/27
1-3:00	

HAVE A MONSTROUSLY GOOD VALENTINE'S DAY!



Notes!

- * Many thanks to the Caballero family for the chips and salsa—it added a bit of spice to our lunch today!
- * Many thanks to the Quinn family for the delicious Rice Krispy treat hearts—they were the perfect ending to our valentine exchange and lunch party!
- * Forms are at the front office for the Hill School Talent Show!