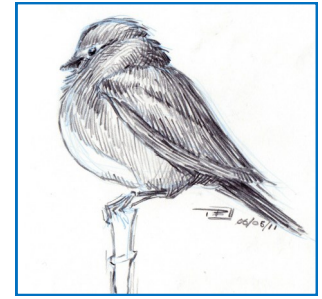


SECOND GRADE NEWS

November 9, 2017



NOTES

- ⇒ We will be visiting the Blue Ridge Wildlife Center on Tuesday, Nov. 14. We will leave at 9:15 and return around noon. Please dress your child in closed shoes and outdoor appropriate clothing.
- ⇒ On Friday, Nov. 17 we will go to Airlie as part of our Science curriculum. The entire trip is outdoors so please dress your child accordingly.
- ⇒ If you are able, please send in two cans of green beans. The Student Council is collecting foodstuffs to create Thanksgiving baskets for those less fortunate.
- ⇒ PLEASE be sure your child has a water bottle at school
- ⇒ **Parenting Happy Hours** with Hill's counselor, Kasia Daum on the following Tuesdays at 3 PM, in the Alumni Room.
Nov. 14th-When Kids are Unkind: What Can Parents and Teachers Do?
Dec. 12-Self Control and Attentional Difficulties: What's What, and What helps?
Please contact kdaum@thehillsschool.org, with any questions or a suggested list of books to read about these topics.

Parents, we go outside for recess whenever we can—drizzle rain, light snow, cold/warm temperatures... Please dress your children appropriately. This week we've had students at recess without coats, sweaters, or socks. Please make recess more fun for your child and dress them appropriately for the weather—coats, hats, gloves... We also MUST head outside to go to sports, art, library, and for bird observations. (Of course we understand that some people are impervious to cold weather and that these are good learning experiences...)

Weekly Topics

Each week we prepare topics of conversation to have with the students. These topics revolve around challenges, friendships, recess activities, and ways to work successfully as a team. We pose the topic and ask leading questions; the students respond and carry on debates and discussions with very little prompting. In effect, the students are learning to talk openly about challenges and devise solutions that are fair and equitable to all. Our second graders are remarkable!

Questions

What does a pourquoi story explain? What is the title of your pourquoi story? How did you think of that? Tell me about the characters in your story!

Draw a rectangle of tiles with three columns and four rows.

Show me how to draw a songbird using shapes.

What kind of dance was shared during the JK-8 Assembly? (Irish dance—see *Take Note* for more info.)

Dates to Remember

Blue Ridge Wildlife Center	11/14
Airlie (outdoor attire)	11/17
2 cans green beans	NLT 11/17
Greens Sale- Second Grade Fundraiser	Nov./Dec.
See Take Note for order form	
8th Gr. Play	11/17-19
Thanksgiving at Hill	11/22
Book Fair (Lauren Vogan is the Book Fair Chair)	11/28-30
Falconers at Hill	12/16