

SECOND GRADE NEWS

April 5, 2018



Academy Awards of Books

On Wednesday, April 25 Hill will celebrate our love of reading with The Academy Awards of Books. On this day your child is encouraged to come to school dressed as his/her favorite book character. We encourage costumes be simple and created from items found at home. The day will include the lower school's parade of characters as we walk the red carpet, past the paparazzi into the theater for a full school assembly. Our focus this year is on myths! We look forward to seeing them in costume on April 25th!

QUESTIONS FOR YOUR 2ND GRADER THIS WEEK:

Let's practice math combinations through the twelves!

If a building has 9 floors and 6 rooms on each floor how many total rooms are in the building?

Do you have any overdue library books? Let's find them before we are billed for the lost books!

Tell me about some of the poetry you've read in class. Do you have a favorite poet or poem?

I hear you are working on lacrosse stick skills in Sports. Tell me some of the stick rules.

Reading and Writing Workshops

- ◆ We continue to read and write poetry. There is a saying, "Before you write one poem you must read a hundred." We are reading a lot of poetry aloud and the students are reading poetry independently as well! The children especially enjoy Jack Prelutsky!
- ◆ After poetry we will have one more genre left in the year. I wonder what it will be...

Social Studies

- ◆ We jumped into birding with both feet since coming back from vacation!
- ◆ We saw the head of a bald eagle sitting in the nest.
- ◆ We researched bald eagles with our mentors.
- ◆ We started following two bird cams—
allaboutbirds.org (we are following the hawk cam)
<https://www.dceaglecam.org/>

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CALENDAR

Parent Conferences	4/19
No School	
Spring Holiday	4/20
Poetry Pop-Up Show	4/24
Academy Awards of Books	4/25