

# May ~ June

## Second Grade Scoop

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### Academics



#### Math

For the remainder of the year, we will be telling time, solving pictographs, learning the beginning steps to multiplication and division, working out story problems and doing some fractions. WHEW!

In our telling time unit, kids will learn to tell time to the nearest five minutes, tell time using "fancy" vocabulary (i.e. quarter past, half past, quarter til), and solve math problems using elapsed time concepts. With pictographs, we will focus on LOOKING at the key before solving problems. An area of focus when solving story problems will be to focus on looking for key words (altogether, in all, how many left, etc.).

We will also make sure to read the problem more than once and use pictures, numbers and words to solve. For fractions, multiplication and division, we will learn the basic concepts to prepare for 3rd grade.

#### Reading

We have already started our unit "Reading and Role Playing." Throughout this unit we will discuss characters strong feelings, expressions, and actions. We will read folktales, fairytales, and legends and discuss the components of each. Later in the month, we will act out stories and do some "Reader's Theater." It is a fun and exciting unit. The students will love it. .

In addition to the unit, we will also continue

to read passages, go back into reading to find information, look for the main idea, the author's purpose and much more.

#### Writing

Our Informational Writing from Personal Experience has begun. Your child will be busy creating their own non-fiction work based on a topic they are "experts" on. Ask them about their topic. This unit incorporates a lot of learning from our previous non-fiction reading.

#### Social Studies/Science

We have completed all of our Science for the year. We will now end the year with our unit on Hartland History. During this unit we will learn what Hartland was like when the first settlers arrived in our "small town." Read on to find out about our WALKING FIELD TRIP!

### Quotes of the Month

"Parents need to fill a child's bucket of self esteem so high that the rest of the world can't poke enough holes to make it dry

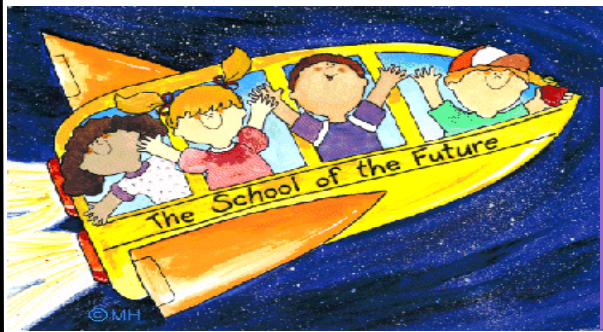
- Alvin Price

"You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read to a child."

- Dr. Seuss

"Your children will see what you're all about by what you live rather than by what you say."

- Wayne Dyer



## Character Education

The word for May is PRIDE! Students will be learning the importance of what it means to have and show pride. Children can show their pride for their school, or in their own accomplishments. Pride helps us to be mindful of being proud of who we are, and what we have worked hard for in life. Take a moment to recognize life's moments to show or share with someone that you are proud of them.



### Reading chapter books at home

Many kids form a bond with the main character in a chapter book and continue the series in order to go on more adventures with that character. Even if your child is unable to read the books independently, reading a chapter book with your child can be a fun way to spend time together. When parents read aloud to children, they model reading fluently and with expression. Parents can ask comprehension questions as they read such as "What do you think the author meant by that?" Some kids like to follow along in their own copy of the book while the parent reads, so finding 2 copies might be a good idea. No matter which way works best for you and your child, reading regularly is so important. Check out some chapter book series suggestions below.

- The doll people (Ann M. Martin)
- The boxcar children (Gertrude Chandler Warner)
- Ramona Quimby (Beverly Cleary)

## Relay for Life

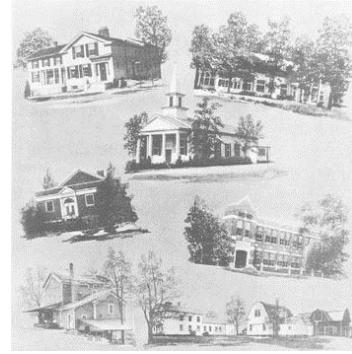


Please join us in supporting Relay for LIFE on May 3rd -4th at the Hartland High School track. Students, families, teachers, and community members will be walking for 24 hours straight to show our support to fight cancer. If you would like to help CES raise money to support Relay for Life, please have your child color the footprint that was sent home, put his/her name on it, and attach \$1.00. Thank you very much, and we hope to see you on the track!

## Field Trips

On May 30th all second grade classes will go on a walking field trip through some of Hartland's Historical venues such as: The Cromaine Library, Music Hall, Museum, and the Cemetery. Each class will walk through downtown Hartland where their class will be lead by a guide to teach us about what Hartland was like before our time.

After our tour, all the classes will meet at Creekside for a pizza lunch! The total cost will be \$3.00. Permission slips and more information regarding this trip will be coming home soon.



**Hartland Pool Field Trip**  
On Tuesday, June 10th all of the 2nd grade students will be heading to the

**HARTLAND Pool for some SWIMMING FUN.**

Information and permission slips will be coming home towards the end of the month. We will need chaperones, so if you are able, please sign up on the permission slip !

# Helpful Reminders

→ Don't FORGET!



## Important Dates:

May 3rd-May 4th Hartland Relay for Life

May 5-9th- Teacher Appreciation Week

May 11th- Mother's Day

May 23rd- No School (Teacher Professional Development)

May 26th-No School Memorial Day

May 30th -Walking Field Trip

June 6th-Field Day

June 10th-Hartland Pool Field Trip

June 12th- Last Day of School

Creekside's Annual Field Day is Friday, June 6th. Please see Mr. Miligiore's list on how you can help out! We are hoping for a nice, sunny, fun-filled day!



Teacher Appreciation Week is May 5th-May 9th We are LUCKY to work with your children each day!



The Last day of school is Thursday, June 12th.