**Mrs. Burger’s 2nd Grade Weekly News**

**8/22 – 8/26**

Dear Families,

Well, the first few days are in the books!  We spent the majority of the past three days reviewing school and classroom rules and expectations, as well as our new school-wide “Husky Bucks” system.  I am so impressed with the responsibility, respect, and work ethic that I witnessed from these second graders.  It’s going to be a great year!

 I will be sending a Weekly Newsletter at the end of each week.  This newsletter contains any important information and upcoming dates and events for parents.  I’ll do my best not to bombard you with information!  I will also upload these newsletters to my classroom webpage for you to refer back to when needed.

**Related Arts for This Week**: PE - Monday through Thursday / Technology - Friday

**Daily Lunch Time:** 11:37 – 12:02 pm

**Other Information:**

**-** If you have not returned your Student Spotlight Paper or Time for Kids money ($5), please do so as soon as possible.

**-** Every Monday your child will come home with a “Snapshot” of the week.  This is the form that looks like the agenda from last year.  You may keep this at home to refer to when needed and ask your child about what he or she learned that day.  You do not need to sign or fill out this form.

**-** Each day your child will bring home his or her Student Agenda.  Please initial in the box on the page to the right of the message.  Also, please record the title(s) of the book your child read that night.  Any quick notes or messages from you to me or vice versa can also go on this page as I will check it and initial it daily.

**-** Family Reflection Folders went home Friday!  Please read and respond to your child on the next notebook page.  They absolutely LOVE reading what you write to them. Please make sure to print your letter, rather than writing in cursive ☺ Students need to return their Reflection Folder on Mondays.

- Don’t forget to send in pictures, stickers, etc. with your child to decorate his or her Writer’s Notebook! These supplies should be brought in by Thursday, August 25th. If your child would rather decorate their notebook at home, they can bring it home next Friday, August 26th.

**Daily Homework:**

* Read 15 minutes each night and record title in student agenda.

**What will be learning next week?**

*Reader’s Workshop:*

* Next week we will be discussing and practicing how readers choose “just-right” books.  We will also be previewing books that we are interested in reading, as well as selecting books that will go in our book stacks.

*Math Workshop:*

* We will begin the week by taking a Pre-Assessment for our first Unit – Place Value.  We will continue to review Pictographs, as well as practicing appropriate behavior during partner and/or group math games.  The students will also be taking the end of 1st Grade Math Assessment to evaluate areas of strengths and growth.

*Social Studies:*

* Next week we will introduce Habit 1 – Be Proactive.  We will also be synergizing to create a class mission statement that will be posted outside our classroom to symbolize our beliefs and promises.

*Writer’s Workshop:*

* Our focus next week will be on notebook expectations.  In addition, we will be generating a topic list on ideas to write about in our journals.  We will also discuss and practice ways in which to avoid distractions during Writing Workshop.  Finally, we will be decorating our Writer’s Notebooks!

**Important Dates to Remember:**

August 30th: Parent Orientation for grades K-2 (PTA Presentation 6:30-6:45 pm, Classroom Sessions 6:50 – 7:10 pm and 7:25 – 7:45 pm)

August 31st:  Deadline to re-enroll in [Kroger Community Rewards](http://teacherweb.com/KY/HarmonyElementary/HarmonyPTA/apt31.aspx) in order to support your PTA

September 5th:  Labor Day – No School

September 7th:  Early Release (Dismissal at 12:20 pm)

September 23rd:  Husky Hustle Fun Run during Related Arts class time (12:35-1:20pm)