



# From the Desk of Miss McElfresh

Friday, January 8, 2016



Happy New Year! The second graders were off to a great start for our first week of school in 2016. They began studying estimating sums and differences in math and started an opinion writing assignment. As we continue on through the school year, I would like to remind everyone that students should be studying for Otter Creek for 5 minutes each night. It is very important that they practice orally and in writing so that each child can meet the second grade goal of completing Addition levels A to Z and Subtraction from level A to N by the end of the school year.

I wish everyone a lovely weekend! ☺

## Upcoming Events

No School  
MLK Day  
January 18

Butterfly Field  
Trip  
January 22



## Field Trip - Goleta Butterfly Preserve

During the first trimester of the school year, the second graders learned about the life cycle of the butterfly. To see the butterflies in action, we will be taking a field trip to the Goleta Butterfly Preserve on Friday, January 22. ***We are in need of several drivers, as we have 30 students to transport. We will be leaving around 8:15 and returning sometime before lunch. If you are available, please let me know so that we can make sure to get all of our driver paper work in order.***



## What are we learning next week?

**Reading:** How do you ask and answer questions to understand what you are reading?

**Math:** How do you regroup to add two digit numbers?

**Writing:** How do you write an opinion letter?

**Social Studies:** What are the branches of our government?

**Religion:** What can we learn about the life of Jesus?