

## From the Desk of Miss McElfresh

Friday, November 6, 2015

It is hard to believe that we are already one week into the month of November! The holidays will be here before we know it. Second graders had a very productive week this week. They received their reading parts for the First Reconciliation Service and completed their second round of benchmark testing for STAR assessments. Overall, it was a great week!

Last week we began our Second Steps program which will be taught every Monday afternoon.
Through these lessons, students will be introduced

to bullying prevention as well as conflict resolution skills. These skills are very important to creating a well rounded child and I encourage all of you to speak with your children about our Second Steps lessons often. After each lesson, I will send home a parent letter in the Lancer folders. These letters are very helpful in providing guidance in conflict resolution at home. If you haven't already, I strongly recommend that you all register at <a href="www.secondsteps.org">www.secondsteps.org</a>. The directions were on our first parent letter which was sent out two weeks ago. I've attached a new copy of the letter in case you might need it.

Please note our mid-week day off for Veteran's Day next Wednesday. I wish you all a lovely weekend! ©

## What are we learning next week?

<u>Language Arts:</u> What are plural nouns? How do you identify the main idea and key details in a story?

<u>Math</u>: Geometry: What are flat surfaces, edges and vertices?

Science: What are the steps to the life cycle of the frog?

Second Steps: How can you use physical and verbal clues to identify

others' feelings?

**Religion**: What are the steps for Confession?

## Upcoming Events

Veteran's Day No School November 11

Noon Dismissal November 24

Thanksgiving
Break
No School
November 25 to
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