

Welcome to Second Grade

where students are Hopping to Learn and School Rocks!

Be looking forward to weekly messages on the Skyward system.



Thanks for attending Meet the Teacher Night to learn more about how to help your child do well in school.

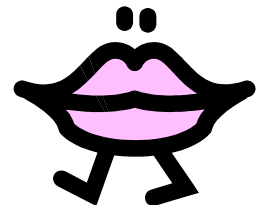
YOU CAN CONTINUE TO HELP BY CHECKING AND SIGNING WEEKLY FOLDER. We will also be posting monthly tips on coaching reading. Keep reading for this month's tips.

Your child can become a good reader in six simple steps. Together we can accomplish this. Each month, we will be sharing a strategy that we use in school, so that you can reinforce them while reading with your child. In a nutshell, the strategies include:

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| 1. Get your mouth ready. | 4. Think about the story. |
| 2. Look at the pictures. | 5. Read...skip...read... skip...then go back. |
| 3. Chunk it. | 6. Reread... go back and read again. |

Strategy #1: Get your mouth ready

Students can eliminate wild guesses when they "get their mouth ready" by forming the initial or ending sound. For example, in the sentence, "We went on a *picnic*." If the unknown word is *picnic*, children should say the /p/ sound and think of words that begin with p. The word "walk" or many other words could fit in the place of picnic, but could be eliminated because they do not begin with a "p".



VISUAL CLUE

"Does that look right?"

"Get your mouth ready to say the first sound."

"Get your mouth ready to say the first sound and the last sound." (Don't worry: the middle sounds come later!)

Remember the best way for your child to become a better reader is to READ, READ, and READ some more.