



2nd Grade Family Newsletter

Mission: Elk Meadows Falcons are growing to be resilient, lifelong learners.

Social Skill: Controlling Emotions through "I Feel" statements

Date: January 6, 2025

ELEMENTARY

Upcoming Grade-Level Events

- **No School:** Martin Luther King Jr. Day Monday, Jan. 20
- **No School:** Grade Transmittal Tuesday, Jan. 21
- **2nd Grade Field Trip:** Jan. 9

Math

Focus: I can subtract using a picture or expanded form.

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3
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Home Connection: Ask your child which strategy they like the best and have them explain to you how it works.

Language Arts

Focus: I can identify other vowel phonemes in syllables (/oo/ as in ooze, /oi/, /ou/, /oo/ as in book, /aw/).

Examples:

ooze, true, zoo
toy, void, coin
ouch, plow, cow
book, wood, should, foot

Some vowel sounds are not categorized as long, short or r-controlled. These vowel sounds are called "other" vowels.

Other Vowels

I know the phoneme...

/oo/	is the first phoneme in ooze .	
/oi/	is the first phoneme in oink .	
/ou/	is the first phoneme in ouch .	
/oo/	is the middle phoneme in book .	
/aw/	is the first phoneme in awesome .	

Science

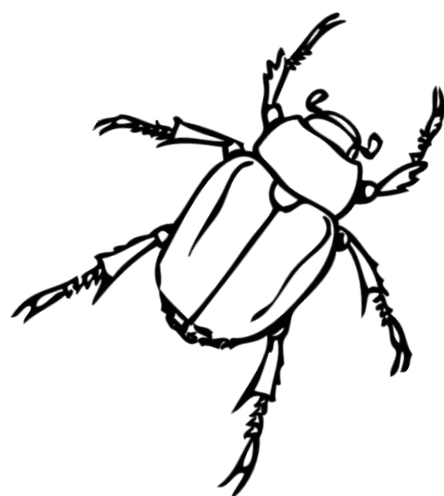
Focus: This year the students will be rotating through 3 different units in science. They will be learning about Solids & Liquids, Sand, Pebbles & Silt, Insects & Plants.

Olsen: Insects & Plants

Insects and plants have life cycles.

Ulibarri: Solids & Liquids- Matter is everywhere.

Snow: Sand, Pebbles, & Silt
Rocks are formed by weathering.



Social Studies

Social Studies Focus: In social studies the students will rotate through 4 standards. Culture, Citizenship, Geography and Financial Literacy.

Hill: We will be talking about citizenship and being good members in our community.

Family Connection/Additional Information

- Remember to **read 20 minutes each night** and record and initial in the take home folders.