



2nd Grade Family Newsletter

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

Social Skill: I can have good boundaries.

Date: February 5, 2024

ELEMENTARY

Upcoming Grade-Level Events

- Feb. 9 - Health & Wellness Day **No in-person attendance (Feb. 8th Full Day - Dismiss 3:35)**
- Feb. 12-16 - Kindness Week **(more info to come)**
- Feb. 14 - Valentine's Day classroom parties
- Feb. 19 - Presidents' Day **NO SCHOOL**
- Feb. 21 & 22 - Parent Teacher Conferences **(Feb. 22nd Early out - Dismiss 12:55)**
- Feb. 23 - Teacher Comp Day **NO SCHOOL**

Math

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

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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.



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.

Snow: Insects & Plants

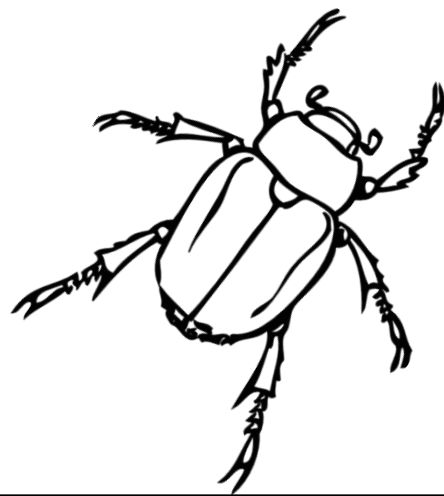
Life cycles of butterflies and other insects

Hill: Solids & Liquids

Mixing and separating bits and pieces

Olsen: Sand, Pebbles, & Silt

Rocks and their uses



Power Standards

Math Focus:

NBT7: Fluently add and subtract within 1,000 using concrete models and mental strategies.

Language Arts Focus:

RI2.2: I can identify the main topic of a multi-paragraph text.

Family Connection/Additional Information

- Remember to **read 20 minutes each night** - record and initial in the Take Home Folder.