

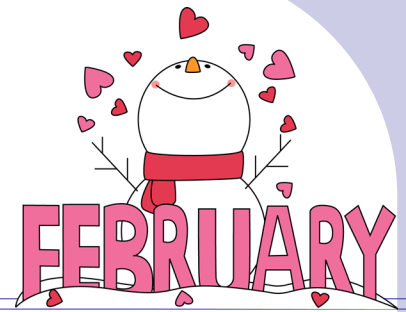
March Break is late this year– Not till March 7th!

Next Month is short because Easter comes early!

Parent teacher will be student-led conferences, with an option for a private appointment if you like.

# Grade 2 / 3 Smith

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## Week 23

February 24, 2016

Hi Everyone, did you hear about the art filled day we had on Monday? We had a visit from the Saint John String Quartet, who played two of Vivaldi's Four Seasons for us. The kids described it as amazing and incredible in their writing. Then, in the afternoon, we had an author and illustrator visit from the Bathurst area. He shared a story he wrote and illustrated, showed some incredible drawings that he's done, and gave a lesson on how to draw a loon! Very exciting.

In Reading, please continue focusing on multi-level questioning for reading comprehension. Please have your children answer questions about what they are reading, and why they think the author chose to write about the topic.

In writing, we finished our unit on Reports by writing an individual report on the topic of the student's choice. Ask your child what they decided to write about. Next, we will

work on narrative writing and examine the elements of a story by writing a book report.

In Math, we're continuing with shape and space regarding 2D and 3D shapes. We've looked at the passage of time in relation to calendars and clocks in standard and non-standard units. In Grades 2 and 3 we will continue estimating and predicting sums and differences in problem-solving contexts, along with creating story problems that demonstrate an equation. Grade 3's will begin looking at the relationship between multiplication and division.

The best practice of these strategies come up in daily life at home. Please practice counting money at home! How should you organize coins before counting? Which should you start with?

Please read every night with your children at home. Ask them questions such as:

What will this be about? How do you think this story will end? What does this word mean?

What does this mean? Is this important? What did you learn? Do you need to read this again?