- *MOTHER'S DAY ~ I hope all the MOMs had a wonderful Mother's Day! Thank you for ALL that you do for your child!
- *THANK YOU ~ *A special THANK YOU to all the students who gave me a card, flowers, or a gift for TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK. I am humbled. Thank you for being such wonderful students this year. You sure make teaching FUN for ME!
- *EXCITING NEWS ~ Our caterpillars are now in the chrysalis stage. Next step in the life cycle butterflies!
- *ASSESSMENTS ~ *This week students will be finishing end of the year assessments. Please be sure students eat a good breakfast and are well rested.
 - *One of the reading assessments that students will take this week is on ipads. The HMH growth measure is a reading assessment program which provides immediate, actionable data on student's reading levels and growth over time. HMH helps educators differentiate instruction, make meaningful interventions, forecast growth toward grade-level state tests, and demonstrate accountability. This will be the second time students have taken this assessment this year.
 - NOTE: We didn't have time for this assessment last week due to the music program practice and performance.
- *SPELLING ~ There will be no new spelling list sent home this week. Students will be reviewing prefixes and suffixes during class.
- *SECOND GRADE ~ WOW! I can't believe there are only ten days left of second grade! What a crazy and enjoyable year this had been! Let's make the most of our last days together by making some fun memories.

*FIELD TRIP ~ The first and second grade students will be traveling to the Chahinkapa Zoo in Wahpeton, North Dakota on Monday May 20. The bus leaves at 8:05 a.m. and will arrive back at school by bus time. Students should eat a good breakfast at home as there won't be time to eat breakfast at school. Remember to bring a SACK LUNCH with BEVERAGE, wear TENNIS SHOES (no sandals) and LAYERED CLOTHING. NO MONEY is needed. Other items to bring to pass the time on the bus might be notebooks to draw/color, crayons, and/or books to read. Students may bring devices to take pictures, but are also responsible for any lost items. Please turn in permission forms as soon as possible.

*MEMORY BOOK ~ This week students will be creating memory book pages which will be added to their Second Grade Memory Books.

*TEAMWORK PARTY ~ We will celebrate another PIZZA PARTY this week for all of the great TEAMWORK shown.

*HOMEWORK ~ Second grade students have worked EXTRA HARD these last two weeks doing some challenging assessments. To show them my appreciation for their hard work, there will be NO HOMEWORK this week! THANK YOU GRADE 2!!

Monday -

- *Students wrote about their weekend in journals.
- *Our mini-lesson in reading turned students into detectives as they read clues and had to draw conclusions based on them.
- *During spelling we did activities related to the suffixes -less and -ful.
- *Today in math students reviewed math skills by playing a game, and doing activities on IXL.
- *Students read a Scholastic News about homes that SNAILS live in.

HOMEWORK:

Tuesday -

- *Students will edit and revise yesterday's journal about their weekend, then share with friends.
- *Our mini-lesson in reading will turn students into detectives as they read clues and draw conclusions based on them.
- *HMH testing on ipads
- *Students will work on Memory Book pages today.
- *During spelling we will do activities related to the suffixes -less and -ful.
- *Today in math students will review math skills by playing a game, and doing activities on IXL.
- *Students will read a Scholastic News about STATE FAIRS.

HOMEWORK:

Wednesday -

- *Second graders will practice handwriting skills this morning.
- *Our mini-lesson in reading will turn students into detectives as they read clues and draw conclusions based on them.
- *HMH testing on ipads
- *Students will work on Memory Book pages today.
- *During spelling we will do activities related to the suffixes -tion, -sion, and -ion.
- *Today in math students will review math skills by playing a game, and doing activities on IXL.
- *Students will read a Scholastic News about the SUMMER OLYMPICS.

HOMEWORK:

Thursday -

- *Students will journal about favorite memories of second grade.
- *Our mini-lesson in reading will turn students into detectives as they read clues and draw conclusions based on them.
- *HMH testing on ipads
- *Students will work on Memory Book pages today.
- *During spelling we will do activities related to the suffixes -tion, -sion, and -ion.
- *Students will learn about some of the animals at the Chahinkapa Zoo today.
- *Today in math students will review math skills by doing activities on IXL.
- *We will continue to work on our Butterfly Unit this afternoon.

HOMEWORK:

Friday - LIBRARY DAY

- *Second graders will practice handwriting skills.
- *Our mini-lesson in reading will turn students into detectives as they read clues and draw conclusions based on them.
- *Students will write a "personal time capsule" which I will save and give to them when they graduate from high school.
- *Students will work on Memory Book pages today.
- *Second graders will play games to review prefixes and suffixes.
- *Today in math students will review math skills by playing small group games with friends.
- *We will continue to work on our butterfly unit this afternoon.
- **LIBRARY DAY ~ Students WILL NOT be checking out any new books this year.

A LOOK AHEAD:

- *May 20 ~ 1st and 2nd Grade Fieldtrip to Chahinkapa Zoo in Wahpeton, ND
- *May 21 ~ Second grade visit to the Fertile Public Library
- *May 22 ~ Track and Field Day for Grades K-3 (12:15 p.m. at the Sports Complex)
- *May 23 ~ PICNIC DAY (Please send a sack lunch with beverage. We will picnic outside near the playground.)
- *May 24 ~ LAST DAY of SCHOOL for students (EARLY DISMISSAL 1:00 p.m.)