



# Mrs. Smith's Newsletter

February 14-17, 2017  
Every Child, Every  
Day, Whatever it  
Takes



## A Peek at Our Week

### Reading:

- Characters, Setting, and Events
- Spelling Review
- Conjunctions

### Writing: Narratives

- Students will write a narrative.

### Math: Measurement

- Students will measure length and tell time to the hour and half hour.

### Social Studies: Economics

- Students will learn about economics.

## Upcoming Events

- ◆ February 16 - Family Reading Night 6-7
- ◆ February 20-24 - Jump Rope for Heart
- ◆ March 10 – End of the 3rd Nine Weeks
- ◆ March 17 – Report Cards go home
- ◆ March 28 – Spring Picture Day



## Notes from the Teacher:

- Please keep attendance a priority!
- Please send a snack with your child every day!
- Jump Rope for Heart money is due by February 24.



## ◆ Teacher Tip: Fifteen-Minute Reading Activities ◆

<http://school.familyeducation.com/reading/family-learning/>

Make 15 minutes go a long way. Try these quick [reading](#) activities with your younger kids.

1. License to read. On [car trips](#), make it a game to point out and read license plates, billboards, and interesting road signs.
2. Better than TV. [Swap evening TV](#) for a good action story or tale of adventure.
3. Look and listen. Too tired to read aloud? Listen to a [book on tape](#) and turn the book's pages with your children. You'll still be reading with them!
4. Labels, labels, labels. Label things in your children's room as they learn to name them. Have [fun while they learn](#) that written words are connected to everyday things.
5. Pack a snack, pack a book. Going someplace where there might be a long wait? Bring along a snack and a bag of favorite books.
6. Recipe for reading. The next time you cook with your children, read the recipe with them. Step-by-step instructions, [ingredients](#), and measurements are all part of words in print!
7. Shop and read. Notice and read signs and labels in the supermarket. Back home, putting away groceries is another great time for reading labels.
8. Your long-distance lap. Away on a business trip? Take a few books with you, call home, and have your child curl up by the phone for a [good night story](#).
9. A reading pocket. Slip fun things to read into your pocket to bring home: a comic strip from the paper, a greeting card, or even a fortune cookie from lunch. Create a special, shared moment your child can look forward to every day.
10. A little longer? When your child asks to stay up a little longer, say yes and make it a 15-minute [family reading](#) opportunity.