

Parents,

Here is a new way we are using a quality tool! This lotus diagram gives you an overview of all the literacy skills your child will be learning over the next two weeks. Use these ideas to help you support their reading at home! ~2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Team

<p><b>Phonics Patterns:</b> Week 1: -y plus -er, -est Week 2: Verb ending -ed</p>	<p><b>Comprehension Strategy</b> Synthesize: Create a Summary</p>	<p><b>Questions that Support our Comprehension Strategy</b> What important events have happened in the story so far? How would you explain this story in your own words?</p>
<p><b>Vocabulary Words</b> Week 1: droplet, puddle, cause Week 2: stage, transform, precipitation</p>	<p><b>Theme 15</b> <b>“The Wonderful Changes of Water”</b>  <b>Our Theme Test Goal:</b> 90% of students achieve a 12/15!</p>	<p><b>Writing Genre</b> Expository (specifically Procedural Text) <b>**Also reviewing realistic fiction**</b>  Ask your child what they know about these genres!</p>
<p><b>Target Skills:</b> Week 1: Genre → Realistic Fiction, Identify Repetition of Language Week 2: Identify Character  (Encourage your child to use these in their writing pieces)</p>	<p><b>Writing Trait</b> Presentation Writers think about how to present a finished piece of writing to an audience. Features such as neat handwriting, illustrations, title and headings can make the final piece look better.</p>	<p><b>Writing Grammar Skill</b> Week 1: Review Simple Sentence Structure Week 2: Compound sentences joined with and  What do all sentences need? How can you combine two sentences using and?</p>