

This week the entire school is focusing on Art from the Heart. Please watch the presentation sent Monday. Our artist this year is Andy Goldsworthy. You will need to collect **natural materials** (sticks, rocks, leaves, pinecones, etc) to create your project. Projects will be displayed in a virtual art gallery. We would love to have your artist statement for our website as well. Here are a few other activities you can do with the **natural materials** you collect.

Math: Sort your materials and describe how you sorted them. Make a concrete graph using the materials and tell what your graph shows. Create a number story (word problem) and show how you would solve it. We included one in the math learning activities.

Reading: Read these books on rocks:

<https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome/grades-1-2-week-4.html>

Writing: Keep a journal about collecting materials. The link above has an example of this.

This week in our grade two home learning activities:

- **Art** – Our focus for the next two weeks is creating a project for Art from the Heart.
- **Listening & Speaking** – Take some time to discuss your child's artwork before they write their artist statement. Encourage them to use "salsa words" when describing their art.
- **Writing** – Our writing activity is creating an artist statement for your child's artwork. We sent several templates if you would like to print one, or you can use any paper.
- **Reading** – We suggest that your child continues to read daily.
- **Word Work & Spelling** – Sight Word List 1 on our website is the grade two spelling list. For those wishing to continue with word work, we have included spelling activities. You can also continue to work on sight words.
- **Solving 2 Digit Problems** – This week we have provided additional practice with adding 2 digit numbers. Keep practicing this daily if you can. You can also get your child to create adding number stories. We included a review of subtracting tens and have also included subtracting a 1 digit number. We are providing these subtraction learning activities for those who feel that their child is ready to move on to subtracting 2 digit numbers.

suggested short vowel word families:

short a ap, ank, ack **short e** en, est, eck **short i** ip, ill, ick

short o ot, op, ock **short u** ug, unk, uck, ump

long vowel word families we have covered:

long a	long e	long i	long o	long u
ay (play)	eep (keep)	ide (ride)	oat (boat)	u_e (cube)
ake (make)	eat (seat)	ight (right)	ow (snow)	ew (new)
ain (rain)	_y (funny)	_y (try)	one (cone)	ue (blue)

other word families:

ow (as in how), **own** (as in down), **out**, **ound** **oy**, **oil**