

WEEK 14 Using the Phone



Dear Parent/Guardian,

For Your Heart

This week, second-graders are working on telephone manners. They are learning:

- Phone manners are much more than learning how to make and take calls.
- Children gain responsibility in other areas of life when they learn to use the phone responsibly.
- Learning how and when to use the phone protects children from the risk of overuse and addiction.

Second graders are developing consideration for others by learning to speak respectfully to the caller.

For the Heart of Your Child

Here are some ways to reinforce your child's new learning this week:

- Ask your child to share the story of “BillyBeeRight’s Buzz,” about the bee’s experience at the park when he sees parents on their phones, not being attentive to play with their children.
- Talk to your child about times when it is not appropriate to use a phone (family time, when you have guests over, etc.) and do your best to model that for your child.
- Teach by example. Use polite telephone manners when you are using the phone at home. Even if you receive an unwanted call, let your child hear you speak to the person on the other end of the line with respect.

From Our Hearts to Yours,



PS Don't forget to ask what RESPONSIBILITY and COURTESY mean!

RESPONSIBILITY—Following through on my work without being reminded
COURTESY—Respectful and well-mannered words and actions toward others

