



# The Super Second Grade

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## Parent Newsletter – February 2018

### WHAT ARE WE STUDYING?

#### **Literacy:**

Mentor Text: The Man Who Made Parks

Lessons will focus on the following Common Core Literacy Standards:

RI 2.1 – Ask and answer questions as who, what, where, when, why and how to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text.

RI 2.3 – Describe connections between series of historical events, scientific ideas and concepts, or steps in technical procedure in a text.

RI 2.4 – Determine meaning of words and phrases in a text.

RI 2.5 – To know and use various text features to locate key facts or information in a text.

**Writing:** Informational Writing Unit

**Phonics:** This month we will be working on:

- 'er' and 'est' endings
- final syllable 'le'
- vowel patterns *oo, u*
- diphthongs *ou, ow*

**Grammar:** We will be working on proper nouns, dictionary skills, and formal and informal language.

#### **Math: Go Math Chapter 6**

This month students will:

- Draw to represent 3-digit addition
- Break apart 3-digit addends
- Regroup tens and ones in 3-digit addition
- Problem solve with 3-digit subtraction
- Regroup hundreds and tens in subtraction

**Social Studies:** Students will continue to learn about 'New York City over time', including growth of neighborhoods and information graphics.

**Science:** Students will be learning about Earth materials, including the following:

- Matter has property
- Materials can sink and float
- Magnetism



**Technology:** Your child will continue practicing their keyboarding and mouse skills, typing, resources used for research, and proper use of the Internet. Along the way, we will work on integrating their literacy and mathematical skills, ensuring that all students maximize their learning with hands on opportunities to succeed. In the month of February we will be focusing primarily on mouse and keyboarding skills.

### What's New in Music and Art?

**Mr. Cintula:** We are preparing the songs, poems and movements for our Valentines Day show on Feb 14, 2018.

**Ms. Granatelli:** During the month of February students continue making a book.

**Ms. LaMorte (Class 332):** Students will work on singing skills, analyze music for Major, Minor, Duple, secure songs about friendship and reading, and self-evaluate.

### \*IMPORTANT DATES

2/11 – Thank Heaven For Little Girls Dance – Tickets on sale now

2/13 – 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School

2/14 – My Funny Valentine Performance, 12:30pm

2/16 – Lunar New Year – No School

2/19-2/23 – Midwinter Recess – No School

2/28 – PAWS Awards Ceremony, 6:30pm

2/28 – PTA Meeting, 7:00pm – Following PAWS Awards

### Respect for All Week February 12 – February 15

2/13 Antibullying Pledge

2/14 Wear Pink or Red – Random Acts of Kindness

2/15 Wear Blue – Petrides Pride

### News/Information/Tips/Reminders

- Please make sure your child has sharpened pencils each day.
- Please wear comfortable clothes and sneakers on Fridays.
- Check your child's homework daily for accuracy and completion.
- **\*\*\*Check our instagram and twitter pages:**  
Twitter – @PetridesSchool  
Instagram – mjpetrides school



### Social Emotional Learning Curriculum – Sanford Harmony

This month, we will be focusing on the topic of Communication. The goal this month is to foster the use of effective communication skills during social interactions and cooperative work groups. Students will participate in observational and experiential exercises to increase their awareness of healthy and unhealthy communication patterns. Students will practice using effective communication skills in cooperative learning group activities.

### A Note From Ms. Ponzi

Dear Families,

February certainly brings about thoughts of love and happiness—and I truly LOVE Petrides and all of our families. Thank you for your continued support and for volunteering your time in our school, it really makes our school such a special place. This month, our Kindergarten cuties walked the runway at the Fashion Show modeling the most adorable outfits. Thank you to the PTA for coordinating this awesome event. Please take note of all of the upcoming events planned for this month, we look forward to seeing you there.

My email address has changed. Please use [JCaputo9@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:JCaputo9@schools.nyc.gov) to reach me

Sincerely,  
Ms. Ponzi



