



The Super Second Grade

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Parent Newsletter – March 2020

WHAT ARE WE STUDYING?

English Language Arts:

In March, students will be ending their fictional unit study. Reading Charlotte's Web was a terrific way to practice summarizing, retelling, identifying the central message, analyzing character traits and their response to challenges and learning new vocabulary words. Toward the latter part of March, students will be revisiting nonfiction and our unit of study will include biographies.

Word Work:

March's word skills include:

- r controlled words
- vowel teams

Writing:

This month's writing goals are for students to extend their writing by using paragraphing, and become more comfortable with writing drafts and publishing work.

Math:

Module 5: Grade 2 Module 5: Addition and Subtraction Within 1,000 with Word Problems to 100

Focus Grade Level Standards and Grade Level Foundational Standards are:

Use place value understanding and properties of operations to add and subtract.

2.NBT.1 Understand that the three digits of a three-digit number represent amounts of hundreds, tens, and ones; e.g., 706 equals 7 hundreds, 0 tens, and 6 ones. Understand the following as special cases:

- 100 can be thought of as a bundle of ten tens—called a "hundred."
- The numbers 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900 refer to one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, or nine hundreds (and 0 tens and 0 ones).

2.NBT.7 Add and subtract within 1000, using concrete models or drawings and strategies based on place value, properties of operations, and/or the relationship between addition and subtraction; relate the strategy to a written method.

Understand that in adding or subtracting three-digit numbers, one adds or subtracts hundreds and hundreds, tens and tens, ones and ones; and sometimes it is necessary to compose or decompose tens or hundreds.

2.NBT.8 Mentally add 10 or 100 to a given number 100–900, and mentally subtract 10 or 100 from a given number 100–900.

2.NBT.9 Explain why addition and subtraction strategies work, using place value and the properties of operations.

Technology:

During the month of March, your child will be focusing their navigation skills using their prior practice of keyboarding and mouse expertise, along with proper use of the Internet. We will be using online tools to help maximize these skills. Along the way, we will work on integrating their literacy and mathematical skills, ensuring that all our students maximize their learning with hands on opportunities to succeed.

Science:

Earth Science will continue to be the focus. Students will understand the interdependence of nature and learn about careers in this area.

Social Studies:

Students will study people in history that have made a difference in our world. Our unit of study will incorporate reading and vocabulary building, using research to gather and synthesize, and apply decision making.

What's New in Performing Arts?

Ms. Granatelli: During the month of *March* students in classes 220, 221, 222 will focus on drawing & painting still life and 332 will focus on drawing & painting.

Ms. LaGrotta (332): During dance class in March, second grade classes will be continuing identifying and demonstrating isolated dance moves of various body parts, locomotor and non-locomotor movements, and dancing with different tempos and rhythms.

*IMPORTANT DATES

3/4 – Report cards distributed

3/5 – Afternoon Parent Teacher Conferences – 12:20pm to 2:20pm

3/5 – Evening Parent Teacher Conferences – 5:00pm to 8:00pm

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.

PTA News

March 6th – Pretzels for Panthers

March 18th – PTA Meeting, 6:30pm

April 3rd – Night of Chances – PTA is requesting \$5 donation from families

A Note From Ms. Ponzi

Dear Families,

March is the month that makes me reflect and feel LUCKY to be a part of the Petrides family. Last month kept us busy and the help and support from everyone at home certainly makes this such a special place. Parents of 1st and 4th grade students, please help us complete the Readers are Leaders challenge presented by Borough President James Oddo's office. Our Sweetheart Dance was a huge success and we would like to thank the PTA for organizing this event. We look forward to seeing you all at our Spring Parent Teacher Conferences on March 5th. Don't forget to logon to Raz Kids and practice reading!

Sincerely,
Ms. Ponzi

