

The Super Second Grade





Parent Newsletter - May 2018

WHAT ARE WE STUDYING?

Literacy:

Mentor Text: Works from Shel Silverstein & other poets Lessons will focus on the following Common Core Literacy Standards:

 $\underline{\text{RL }2.7}$ – Use information gained from the illustrations and words in a print to demonstrate understanding of its character, setting and plot

RL 2.4 - How words and phrases give meaning in a story
RL 2.2 - Recount stories and determine their central message
and moral

<u>RL 2.10</u> – Comprehend literature including stories and poetry in the grades 2–3 text complexity proficiently

Writing: Poetry writing/Narrative writing

Word Study: Students will be working on prefixes, suffixes, final syllables and inflected endings.

Math: Go Math Chapter 9

Students will be able to:

- · Measure and estimate lengths in standard units.
- Relate addition and subtraction to length.
- Represent and interpret data.

Social Studies: Students will continue to learn about 'New York Over Time'.

<u>Science</u>: Students will learn about rocks and soil and how they are related.



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 May we will be focusing primarily on mouse and keyboarding skills.

What's New in Music and Art?

Mr. Cintula: We are working in our Music Connection text on songs that celebrate our differences and similarities.

Ms. Granatelli: During the month of May students will put their finishing touches on their book making project.

Ms. LaMorte (Class 332): Students will learn 3 pieces with proper mallet techniques on Barred instruments (song and dance added), learn new piece, and work well with partners while singing properly.

*IMPORTANT DATES

5/14 - 5/23 - Our schools' Annual Student Art Exhibition: Students who participated in 2017-18 visual arts classes have their artwork exhibited in C-building hallways (i.e. hallways located closest to the auditorium entrance).

5/16 - Audubon trip to Clove Lakes Park

5/23 - Street Fair, 5-8pm - Parents are invited to meet the staff.

5/28 - Memorial Day - No School

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

Our Social - Emotional Learning...



This month we will be focusing on Peer Relationships. This work will encourage supportive interactions and friendships among classmates. Our students will participate in activities to consider the qualities important to friendship, to develop strategies for minimizing the costs associated with cross-gender friendships, to learn effective responses for dealing with bullying situations, and to practice providing peers with support.

A Note From Ms. Ponzi



Hello Petrides Families,

Spring has sprung-hopefully everyone can get outside and enjoy that sunshine!! The feeling of excitement is in the air as we near the end of our school year, let's make sure to stay focused and bright until then.

We would like to commend our dedicated 3rd and 4th graders for their hard work and commitment with preparing for the NYS ELA test. We would like to wish them luck for this week's upcoming NYS Math test as well.

We look forward to all of the exciting culminating events that are quickly approaching. Please mark your calendars and save the dates accordingly. I can't wait to celebrate with you all.

Sincerely, Ms. Ponzi

