

The Super Second Grade

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Parent Newsletter – October 2017

WHAT ARE WE STUDYING?

Literacy:

Mentor Text:

- On the Farm
- Do I Need It, Do I Want It
- Planet Earth
- They Really are Giant

Lessons will focus on the following Common Core Literacy Standards:
RI 2.1 – Ask and answer questions about the text to show my understanding.

RI 2.3 – I can describe how details in the text are connected.

RI 2.5 – Use text features to find information.

RI 2.6 – Tell the main purpose of a task.

Writing: Informational Writing Unit

Phonics: This month we will be working on long vowels and syllabication.

Grammar: Adjectives and Adverbs

Math: GoMath Chapter 2-Addition and Subtraction

This month students will:

- Count back by 10 and 100
- Number patterns
- Compare numbers

Technology:

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone to the 2017-2018 school year. I am very excited to be taking on the challenges of guiding your child on his/her journey to become an expert at using technology. In agreement with the Chancellor of all New York City Public Schools, Carmen Farina, I would like to ensure your children graduate his/her grade with the digital skills they need to succeed.

During the course of this school year, your child will be introduced to 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, insuring that all our students maximize their learning with hands on opportunities to succeed. In the month of October we will be focusing on mouse and keyboarding skills.



Social Studies and Science:

Social Studies and Science will be incorporated into Ready Gen Unit of Study. We will be learning about Planet Earth and Community.

What's New in Music and Art?

Mr. Cintula: We are beginning our introduction to folk music around the world through our textbook series "The Music Connection", grade 2. We will be singing together and solo as well as sample percussion instruments and techniques on various songs.

Ms. Granatelli: During the month of October, students will be putting their artistic finishing touches on their self-portraits.

Ms. LaMorte (Class 332): Students will learn 3 songs to work with beat competency, pitch matching, read a simple rhythm pattern, discuss Christopher Columbus, proper play of rhythm sticks, analyze music, learn major, minor, duple, triple, learn Hoedown dance, and begin study of Orff Barred Instruments for proper mallet technique.

*IMPORTANT DATES

10/9 – Columbus Day – No School

10/18 – PTA Meeting, 7pm

10/29 – PTA sponsors "Boo at My School", 2-5pm

10/31 – Halloween March of Dimes Wonder Walk on school track.

Students may wear their Halloween attire. No face masks please.

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

Coming up:

10/16 – Chocolate Sale Ends

10/18 – Next PTA Meeting

10/29 – Boo at My School – We are accepting candy donations. Please label donations "ATTN PTA" and feel free to send them to school with your child, leave them at the main office, or at circular drive during drop off.

Anyone interested in volunteering to help with the event please e-mail D31r080pa@schools.nyc.gov

Save the Date – Holiday Fair 12/8

A Note From Ms. Ponzi

Dear Families,

We are off to a great start and I am super excited to begin this next month of school. We will be hosting a Walk-a-thon to support the March of Dimes on October 31st at 9:45am on the field. All students in grades Pre-K-4 are invited to walk in their Halloween costumes on our annual parade. We ask that you refrain from dressing the students in costumes with masks and please do not send props into school. March of Dimes envelopes will be sent home this week and can be returned with donations on the day of the Wonder Walk. Parents are welcome to view our costume parade on the field (weather permitting). Looking forward to seeing you all there!

Sincerely,
Ms. Ponzi



