



The Super Second Grade

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Parent Newsletter – February 2019

WHAT ARE WE STUDYING?

Reading:

Lessons will focus on the following Common Core Literacy Standards:

RI 2.1 – I can ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text.

RI 2.3 – I can describe connections between series of historical events, scientific ideas or concepts, or steps in technical procedure.

RI 2.4 – I can determine how words and phrases supply meaning in a text.

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

Mentor Text:

- Helen Keller
- Eleanor Roosevelt
- Alfred Nobel The Man Behind the Prize
- The Dog that Dug for Dinosaurs
- Pioneer of the West

Writing: Informational Writing

I can write informative/explanatory texts in which they introduce a topic, use facts and definitions to develop points, and provide a concluding section.

Grammar:

- Dictionary Work
- Context Clues
- Formal and Informal Language
- Antonyms and Synonyms

Phonics: This month we will be working on:

- Comparable endings er, est
- Long i spelled i, ie, igh, y
- Final syllable -le
- Vowel patterns oo, u

Math: Go Math Chapter 6: 3 Digit Addition and Subtraction

- I can draw to represent 3-digit addition
- I can break apart 3-digit addends
- I can regroup ones and tens in 3-digit addition
- I can regroup ones, tens and hundreds in 3-digit subtraction

Social Studies: Students will study Urban, Suburban and Rural communities.

Science: Students will be working on Earth materials.

Technology: During the month of February, 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.

What's New in Music and Art?

Mr. Cintula: We are rehearsing songs about love and friendship for an upcoming Valentine's Day celebration. We have a variety of pieces from poetic love songs to a silly comedic take on the holiday.

Ms. Granatelli (332): During the month of February, art students continue to explore drawing, painting and collage.

Ms. LaMorte (Class 332): Students will analyze music for tonality and meter, secure songs for Friendship/Valentine and Stage Presence, and learn new song about Valentine and many speeds.

Ms. Eliot: Students will revisit some favorite songs to review rhythms and movements with music.

*IMPORTANT DATES

2/5 – Lunar New Year – No School

2/10 – Sweetheart Dance, 2 to 5pm – Tickets on sale now

2/13 – PTA Meeting, 7:00pm

2/14 – 100th Day of School

2/18-2/22 – Midwinter Recess – 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.



PTA News

Thank you to all our Kindergarten cuties who showed us their favorite season's fashions in our Four Season Fashion Show! These kids owned the stage and put on a great show! On Sunday, February 10th the PTA will be hosting a "Sweetheart Dance" from 2-5pm. So be sure to invite your favorite sweetheart and come ready to party! Our next PTA meeting will be February 13th, at 7pm, we hope to see you there! Thank you for supporting our school.

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 their 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.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to email me at JCaputo9@schools.nyc.gov.

Sincerely,
Ms. Ponzi

