



News & Views from Chapter Two!



November 4, 2019

Hello Families:

I hope you enjoyed your weekend!

This week we will be continuing and completing reading, writing, and math assessments for the upcoming report cards.

November conferences are coming up on November 25 and 26. A sign-up for this conference was sent to you last Friday, November 1st. Please let me know if you have any questions about the sign up. Your child is not expected to attend this conference. However, if you would like your child to attend, please know they are welcome. During this conference we will be reviewing the student goals sent home in September. We will also be going over any questions you may have with your child's report card. I look forward to meeting with you. Here is the link to the sign-up in case you missed the email:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0945A9A62FAOFB6-november>

We are starting our Seesaw digital portfolio. I sent a letter home with your child giving you details on how to connect to your child's journal entries. I will be following up with an email to make sure you are connected and can view your child's projects. Please let me know if you have any questions. We hope to add new entries soon!



Recess/Lunch: Monday-Friday (10:50-11:35)

Specials are from 1:05-1:45pm

Monday: PE

Tuesday: Music & Library (2:00-2:30)

Wednesday: PE & Computer Lab (2:10-2:50)

Thursday: PE

Friday: Art & Reading/Writing Buddies (2:30-3:00)

Calendar Reminders:

Nov. 1:

Conference Sign-up Sent Via Email

Nov. 3:

Daylight Saving Time Ends

Nov. 8:

No School: Teacher Institute

Nov. 11:

Veteran's Day Assembly

Nov. 13:

Late Start for Students: 10:05am

Nov. 20:

Report Cards Sent Home

Nov. 25-26:

Conferences (No school)

Nov. 27-29:

Thanksgiving Break: No School



Curriculum at a glance...what have we been doing and what is coming up?

Language Arts...

- Record independent work and set future goals for Daily Five
- Reading Book Clubs
- Adjectives/shades of meaning
- Know and understand nonfiction text features
- Ask and answer questions to build comprehension
- Understand story structure and recount/retell the story
- Identify the main idea in multi-paragraph texts
- Plan and write personal narratives
- Plan and write an explanatory paragraph

Math...

- Strategies for adding and subtracting numbers fluently within 20
- Learn and practice strategies for adding and subtracting 2 digit numbers within 100 (with and without regrouping)
- Ongoing practice with a variety of skills: place value, comparing numbers, word problems, graphing, money, and number patterns

Social Science...

- Geography studies: study maps
- Civics: local community government and characteristics
- Compare different kinds of communities and daily needs

Science...

- Processes that shape the Earth
- Slow changes to land
- Effects of wind and water on the land



HOMWORK NOTES:

Please let me know and I will help your child find "good fit" books to take from school to read at home. Helping your child establish good homework habits is essential to school success this year and in the years to come. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding our second grade homework plan. Thank you for your support!

- All homework is due on Friday
- Please initial the Weekly Homework Checklist each day and help your child record what they read every day.
- Please make sure your child is using a pencil to do their homework, unless crayon/color is on the directions.
- Please remind your child to write their name on ALL of their papers.



What's new in school? Here are some questions you can ask your child!

- What science exploration did you do to find out how a canyon is formed? How did your land change when water dripped down on it (when it rained)?
- What is a law? Why are laws important? What are some laws we have in our community?
- What have you been learning about in music, P.E., and art class?
- In the beginning of the story *Stellaluna*, what happens to this little bat when an owl comes along? How does *Stellaluna* survive?
- The Paw Print Café will be open next week. Will you be using your paw prints to “purchase” anything?
- Is your desk neatly organized? How often do you need to reorganize it?
- Are you keeping your supplies organized in your desk and in your cubby basket?



VERY IMPORTANT...

I appreciate your understanding and attention to sending peanut and tree nut-free snacks with your child.

- Remember any snack sent in without a label will be sent home- with the exception of fresh veggies and fruit. I have to check to be sure the snack did not come from a facility that also makes peanut or tree nut products.
- You may take a picture of a label and send that to me if you prefer to buy snacks in large quantity and send the snack in a small baggie or container.
- Your child should not be finishing their lunch during snack time.

Please let me know if you have any concerns or questions.

Thank you so much!

Thank you for your support and have a great week!

Mrs. Snyder :)

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