

# SECOND GRADE NEWS

**JANUARY**

**2020**

## **MATH**

-IN MATH, STUDENTS PRACTICE COUNTING IN DIFFERENT WAYS. HERE IS ONE WAY. SINCE 24 HAS 2 TENS AND 4 ONES, STUDENTS WILL COUNT: 2 TENS 4, 2 TENS 5, 2 TENS 6, 2 TENS 7, 2 TENS 8, 2 TENS 9, AND THEN 3 TENS... THIS WAY OF COUNTING HELPS STUDENTS VISUALIZE PLACE VALUE. STUDENTS ARE LEARNING ABOUT MEASURING LENGTH USING CENTIMETERS AND METERS. THEY ARE FIGURING OUT WHICH UNIT IS THE BEST UNIT TO MEASURE WITH. FOR EXAMPLE, IF SOMEONE WANTED TO MEASURE SMALLER OBJECTS LIKE A PENCIL OR NOTEBOOK, THEY WOULD USE CENTIMETERS. IF THEY WANTED TO MEASURE A ROOM, A PLAYGROUND, OR BIG RUG, THEY WOULD USE METERS

## **READING**

-NEXT WEEK YOUR CHILD WILL BE GIVEN THE FAST READING ASSESSMENT. THIS ASSESSMENT IS GIVEN 3 TIMES A YEAR, AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR, MID-YEAR AND THE END OF THE YEAR. STUDENTS CONTINUE TO BUILD THEIR STAMINA AT STICKING WITH THEIR TEXTS, AND BUILDING THEIR COMPREHENSION AND FLUENCY THROUGH READING AND WRITING ABOUT THEIR READING. CONTINUE TO HELP YOUR CHILD READ EVERY NIGHT.

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## **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

WELCOME BACK! WE HOPE EVERYONE HAD A WONDERFUL WINTER BREAK!

### **STUDENTS GO OUTSIDE MOST DAYS, REMEMBER:**

STUDENTS APPRECIATE A WARM JACKET, SNOWPANTS, BOOTS, HAT, AND GLOVES OR MITTENS.

ALSO DON'T FORGET TO HAVE YOUR CHILD BRING THEIR SHOES.

## **WRITING**

STUDENTS WILL BE CONTINUING THEIR SHARED RESEARCH PROJECT ON ANIMAL LIFE CYCLES. THEY WILL BE USING INFORMATIONAL TEXTS TO READ, RESEARCH, AND WRITE ABOUT THEIR TOPIC.

OUR NEXT UNIT WILL BE WRITING REALISTIC FICTION STORIES. STUDENTS WILL MAKE UP A STORY THAT COULD REALLY HAPPEN TO A MADE UP CHARACTER.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO WRITE A NOTE IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW, CALL, OR EMAIL US WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS.