

SECOND GRADE TIMES

January 2023

Happy New Year!!!

Dates to remember:

January 3rd: School Reopens!

January 9th: PTA Meeting

January 16th: School Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 20th: 4th Grade Dance

Reading Unit

Reading Informational Texts

- * Working hard to understand what informational books have to say.
- * Have thoughts and ideas about what is read.
- * Tackle tricky words.
- * Read more than one book on a topic.

Writing Unit

Opinion Writing

- *Writers write about their reading by closely evaluating their books and keeping their audience in mind.
- *Writers raise the level of their opinion writing through deeper analysis of texts and the use of more sophisticated elaborative techniques.

Reading tips!

- Children are expected to read at home every night and discuss the story.
- Log onto I-Ready and RAZ -kids for extra reading practice. **Strive for 45 minutes of reading each week.**

Math

Two-Digit Addition/Subtraction

- * Using place value to add/subtract 2-digit numbers.
- * Add/subtract 2-digit numbers with and without regrouping.

Social Studies

- * Continue learning about rural, urban, and suburban Communities.

Science

- * Weather
- * We will be starting up the Tower Garden. We will plant the seeds and watch it grow. We will be using the vegetables as ingredients that will be made into a soup.

Math tips!

- Children are expected to practice their math facts.
- Use flashcards or log onto the xtramath.org program for practice.

Music

In music class, second graders will play an African stone passing game called Obwisana that focuses on teamwork, steady beat, and singing on pitch. We will also be reading the book Stone Soup where we will utilize different musical instruments to create the sounds of the ingredients. Finally, we will work together to assign rhythms to different winter themed activities.



Art

The 2nd grade students will be creating a snowman overlay onto watercolor coffee filters, as well as a "Catching Snow on My Tongue" art portrait project.



Physical Education

As we continue to ring in the New Year, the student-athletes of the Coram School are back at it with another challenge. The second grade will waste no time and get straight to business with our basketball unit. They will learn the skills necessary to be successful and then the games begin. After that, we will continue with our focus on teamwork, communication and problem solving as we work together to complete the Toxic River Crossing and other team building activities. Even before it begins, 2023 will be a year to remember!



Library

During the month of January, second grade students will engage in inquiry! Students will learn what the word research means and how to be a good researcher! Students will have the opportunity to explore nonfiction text as well as other library resources including the VRC and Pebblego to learn about the world around them.

It's 2023! Have you created a reading goal for the year? Think about the goals you want to achieve in 2023!

