

Weekly News

Oct. 19-23rd, 2026

2nd Grade
The Classical Academy
North Elementary

Windy Nights

By Robert Louis Stevenson

Whenever the moon and stars are set,
Whenever the wind is high,
All night long in the dark and wet,
A man goes riding by,
Late in the night when the fires are out,
Why does he gallop and gallop about?
Whenever the trees are crying aloud,
And ships are tossed at sea,
By, on the highway, low and loud,
By at the gallop goes he,
By at the gallop goes he,
By at the gallop he goes, and then,
By he comes back at the gallop again.

Math Fact focus for this week:

Addition and Subtraction 0-20. Students should practice math facts nightly to help with automaticity.

Ways to practice:

-Printed fact sheets.

-flash cards

-xtramath.com

Math facts are currently timed for 3 minutes and 30 seconds and will decrease to 3 minutes mid-year. Also, both sides of the facts page should be finished each night.

Homework

Nightly homework should include math fact practice, spelling practice, and reading for 20 minutes.

Reading for at least 20 minutes each night builds fluency, increases vocabulary, enhances success in spelling and writing, fosters cognitive skills, increases language development, enhances concentration, cultivates a lifelong love of reading, builds a strong parent-child bond, is a way to decrease screen time, and reduces stress and anxiety. Please take the time to read with your child each night.

Lastly, a few minutes of spelling practice each night builds success in spelling, reading and writing.

Field trip on Oct. 19

We will be heading to Rock Ledge Ranch on Oct. 19. We will be leaving school at 9am and returning by 12:15pm. Students will need to bring a sack lunch with all disposable containers that day as we will be eating lunch at the end of our trip at Rock Ledge Ranch. In addition, please have your child dressed for the weather and wear tennis shoes or hiking shoes as we will be outside walking at Rock Ledge Ranch for most of the morning.

Constitution Day

Constitution Day is coming up on Oct. 23rd at 11am. Students may dress in costume from the time period. (Last year's colonial day costume will be perfect!) We will need your help to make this day a success. Check the sign up sent from your child's teacher with opportunities to help with our celebration. Thank you!

Monthly Character Trait Focus

Self-regulation, teamwork, intelligence

Sayings of the Month

Back to the drawing board.

Better late than never.

Important Dates

Oct. 12-16- Fall Break

Oct. 19- Field trip to Rock Ledge Ranch

Oct. 23- Constitution Day

Nov. 6- 2nd graders recite "Windy Nights" at assembly

Nov. 23-27- No school, Thanksgiving break

Dec. 21-Jan. 5- No school, Winter break

Jan. 15- Pioneer Day

Who likes to Sew?

We are looking for a few volunteers to help prep: cut, sew dolls for Pioneer Day. This will all be done at home, but we have all the supplies you need! If you'd like to help, contact Mrs. Richey at: srichey@tcatitans.org

Spelling words (Test on 10/23/26)

11		12	
cloud	hop	peach	sign
draw	hopping	pole	space
drink	knife	queen	wagon
garden	mouth	rope	wheat
goose	oak	season	window