

2nd GRADE

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! We are excited to start a new year with your third grader. We are looking forward to a fun year filled with lots of learning and success. We will send a newsletter home each quarter to provide you with strategies, resources, and questions you can use at home to help your student become even more successful. We are looking forward to working with you this year and seeing all of the amazing things we can accomplish together!

Reading & Writing

Vocabulary to Know:

- Consonants
- Vowels
- Digraphs
- Homophones
- Synonyms
- Antonyms
- Fiction
- Predictions
- Connections
- Nonfiction
- Text Features: Table of Contents, headings, pictures, captions, and maps
- Complete sentences
- Proper Nouns
- Declarative, interrogative, and exclamatory sentences

Writing in Second Grade:

- Create a Writing Toolbox: Fill a box with drawing and writing materials. Find opportunities for your child to write, such as the shopping list, thank you notes, or birthday cards.

Tip for Parents: Tell Family Tales

- Children love to hear stories about their families. Talk about a funny thing that happened when you were young.

Questions to ask your child while he/she is reading:

- Based on the title, what do you think this story or text will be about?
- How do you think (character) will handle (event)?
- What do you think (character) will do differently next time?
- What information do you learn in the captions of this picture?
- How do the pictures or maps help you understand the words?
- Why does the author put a heading on the sections? How does it help you?
- What is a different heading the author could have used for this section?

Math

Vocabulary to Know:

- Add
- Subtract
- Place value
- Ones
- Tens
- Hundreds
- Round
- More
- Less

Numbers 0-120										
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	
101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	
111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	

Counting On
9, 10, 11, 12
Keep the bigger number in your head and count on.
 $3 + 9 = ?$

Tens Facts
These pairs always equal 10.
 $1 + 9 = 10$
 $2 + 8 = 10$
 $3 + 7 = 10$
 $4 + 6 = 10$
 $5 + 5 = 10$

Doubles
Add the number to itself.
 $5 + 5 = 10$

Doubles + 1
Double the number then add 1.
 $6 + 7 = ?$
I know $6 + 6 = 12$ so plus 1 is 13!

Add 10
The just the adding a ten unit.
 $43 + 10 = ?$
53!

Add 10 Take 1
To add 9 - just add ten then take 1 away.
 $37 + 9 = ?$
I know $37 + 10 = 47$ so take away 1 is 46!

Bridge to 10
Break the smaller number to make 10.
 $7 + 5 = ?$
 $7 + 3 = 10$
 $10 + 2 = 12$

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Rounding Rules

"About how many..."
"Round to the nearest..."

Example:
Round 23 to nearest ten.
 $23 \approx 20$

Remember: When it's in the middle (5), you round up!
 $25 \approx 30$

Rule:
Find the digit.
Look next door.
Five or higher, Add one more!
Four or less, Let it rest!

H	T	O
Hundreds	Tens	Ones
1	4	9
		

	<p style="text-align: center;">Math (continued)</p> <p>Skills to Practice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skip counting by 2s, 5s, & 10s • Recall addition & subtraction facts • Identify the place and value of each digit in a 3-digit number • Identify a number 10 more/less & 100 more/less than a number
<p style="text-align: center;">Science</p> <p>Vocabulary to Know:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Force • Motion • Energy • Magnetism • Gravity • Matter • Mass • Phases of Matter: solid, liquid, gas <p>Hands-On Learning at Home:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Predict which materials will be attracted to magnets, test the predictions, and create a chart that shows the results, classifying materials as to whether they are attracted to magnets • Classify and compare everyday objects as liquids, solids, or gases 	<p style="text-align: center;">Social Studies</p> <p>Vocabulary to Know:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independence Day (Fourth of July) • Labor Day • Maps • Continents • Oceans • Hemispheres • Citizen • Rules • Laws • American flag • Bald eagle • Washington Monument • Statue of Liberty <p>Library Book Recommendations to Read to Your Child:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Statue of Liberty</i>, Written by Julie Murray • <i>Soaring with the Wind: The Bald Eagle</i>, Written by Gail Gibbons • <i>The American Flag</i>, Written by Tamara Britton
<p style="text-align: center;">Important Dates to Remember:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>September 8 First Day of School</p> <p>November 3 School Closed/Election Day</p> </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>October 8 Parent/Teacher Conferences (early release)</p> <p>November 11 End of First Quarter</p> </div> </div>	