



Second Grade Homework and Newsletter

Mrs. Herbert, Ms. Carlin, Ms. Ibrahim, and Ms. Kinnier

Monday, October 15th – Friday, October 19th

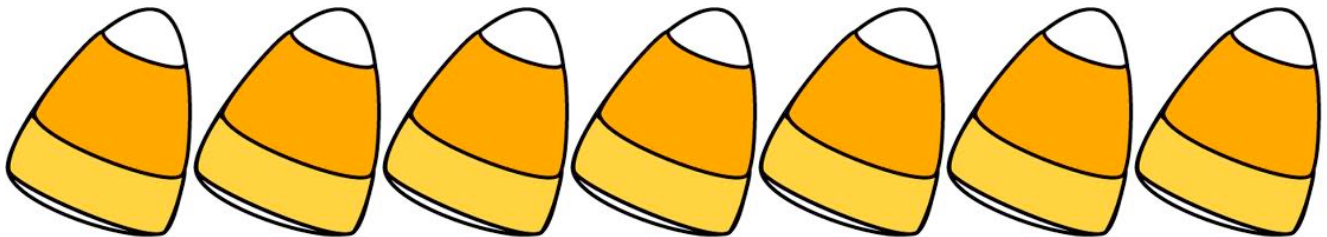


Homework:

- Read a minimum of 20 minutes.
 - NOTE: Every Wednesday, your child will bring home their green Open Court reader. Please check the Homework Log for the assigned story to be read aloud that evening. Books need to be returned on Thursday.
- See daily homework entry written in the Homework Log.
- Math: Saxon worksheets (side B)

Dates to Remember:

- Friday, October 19th at 8:30a.m. – Please join us for our first all school assembly, which will focus on being the 3Rs--Respectful and Responsible Riptides.
 - Spirit Day is also on Friday, October 19th. Wear college football fan gear.
 - Dress as a fan, player, cheerleader, or coach.
 - There will be a field goal kicking contest at lunch (optional).
- Monday, October 22nd – Staff Development Day – No School
- Wednesday, October 31st at 8:30a.m. – All school Halloween parade
 - Second Grade Spooky Maps after the parade – Please contact your room parent if you can volunteer. We will need 6 parents per classroom.
 - Herbert – Kelly Wedbush / Dina Stephens
 - Carlin/Ibrahim – Christina Holman
 - Kinnier – Cindy Rogers / Stacy Myrose



Classroom Update

Language Arts: Students will read, “Come Back, Jack!” the second story in our Sharing Stories unit. In this lively story, a young boy named Jack helps his sister discover the joys of reading by actually entering a storybook. His adventures in the storybook blend together the experiences of four other well-known storybook Jacks: Jack, Jill’s friend; Jack, the nimble candlestick jumper; Jack, who built a house; and Jack who met a giant on top of a beanstalk. New vocabulary words include: **boring, adventure, exciting, searched,**

steep, and **nimble**. This week, students will illustrate one of these vocabulary words, name the part of speech, and write the word in a sentence. What is your favorite childhood story? Please share with your child.

Read Aloud: Students are listening to the Core Literature novel, *Ramona the Pest* by Beverly Cleary. Our million dollar vocabulary words are: **coaxed**, **grubby**, and **seized**. Challenge your child to use these words in conversation.

Math: This week students will learn addition facts: doubles +1, identify geometric shape pieces that differ in one way, tell time to the half hour, estimate temperature, read a thermometer to the nearest 10 degrees, and count dimes and pennies.

Writing Workshop: This week's focus will be on fixing, editing, and fancying up our writing in preparation for our author's celebration.

Class Hop with Mrs. Herbert – Social Studies: Last week students discussed why government leaders make laws and why judges, police officers, and other citizens carry out laws or punish wrongdoers. Students discussed elections and the importance of democracy. They also identified the characteristics and duties of community, state, and national leaders. Words to review: **vote**, **election**, **ballot**, **judge**, and **law**.

Class Hop with Ms. Ibrahim/Ms. Carlin - Science: Last week students worked with simple machines: levers, pulleys, ramps/incline planes, screws, wheels and axels, and wedges. Challenge your students to find examples of these simple machines around your house. Students also continued to discuss gravity, mass, and the forces of push and pull.

Class Hop with Ms. Kinnier – Social Studies: Last week students dove into the deep ocean of geography and learned the names of the continents. Vocabulary: **North America**, **South America**, **Europe**, **Asia**, **Australia**, and **Antarctica**.

Mind Up: Once a week, second graders are taking part in the MindUP™ program from the Beach Cities Health District. MindUp is a signature education initiative designed to help students manage their emotions and behaviors, reduce stress, sharpen concentration and increase empathy and optimism, which cultivates well-being and emotional balance. This better prepares them for success, both inside the classroom and out.

Thank you to Mr. Joseph (Cooper's dad) for supplying fabulous prizes for our second grade treasure boxes.

Happy Birthday to Tatum Huber on October 15th and Juliet Gerwin on October 16th.

