



# November News

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## K-2 Newsletter

### Reading

In November we will be learning about the world through informational text. We will be talking about what we already know about a topic, what we have learned, and asking ourselves what else do we want to know. We will be looking at parts of an informational book such as the table of contents, headings, bold words and diagrams. We will be using these text features to help support our reading and comprehension of informational texts.



### Writing

In November we will be working on our informational writing unit. We will be focusing on writing a how-to. A how-to is a step-by-step procedure on how to make or do something. We will be teaching someone how to do something using step-by-step directions. We will learn about introductions and conclusions to our writing too. We will also be continuing to stretch out words while we write.

### Social Studies

In November we continue to learn about how families and communities are important. Students will think why families are important and how they influence who we are. Students will also make the connection between families and communities to understand the importance of traditions, values, customs, languages, and how they influence one another.



### Science

In November we will continue to learn about animal and plant defenses. In this unit, students will continue to learn about structures and learn how to explain how a wide variety of animals and plants and their offspring defend themselves in order to survive. Students will be learning about what plants and animals need to survive and how plants and animals meet their needs.

## Math

In November, kindergarteners will be learning about how to represent and compare numbers to 10. In this unit, we will be learning about how to model and count to 10, how to make a 10, how to put numbers in order, how to solve word problems by comparing numbers within 10, and how to compare numbers by thinking about the words greater and less.

In November, first graders will be finishing up their unit on addition strategies. Students will also be learning about subtraction strategies. In this unit we will be counting back to solve subtraction, using addition to subtract, making a ten to subtract and breaking apart numbers.

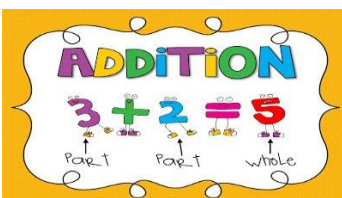
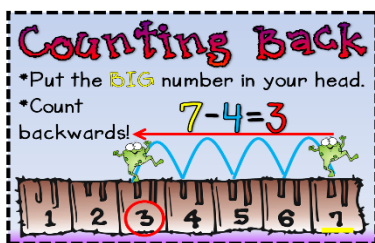
In November, second graders will be completing their unit on basic facts and relationships. Students will also begin to learn about 2-digit addition. In this unit, we will be learning how to break apart addends as tens and ones, we will be adding 2-digit numbers, we will be finding the sums of three and four numbers, and we will be solving word problems with 2-digit numbers.

## Word Study:

We will be doing a variety of activities during word study. We will be practicing our letters and letter sounds to build a strong phonetic (letter-sound) foundation. We will also learn how to spell words by using all that we know about letter sounds. We will continue to practice writing sight words and learn new vocabulary words. We will engage in activities such as writing words in ABC order and writing words in sentences.

## Reminders:

- Please remember to complete homework every night.
- Your child should be reading every night for at least 20 minutes.
- Please sign your child's reading log every night.
- Please come to school every day on time.
- Our school collects "box tops for education." Please send in any you collect.
- If you wish for your child to eat breakfast in school, please be here by 7:15 am.



## Important Dates:

- **November 6:** Election Day - No School
- **November 9:** PS 147 Day - Wear school gear
- **November 12:** Veteran's Day - School is Closed
- **November 13:** World Kindness Day- Wear Yellow!!
- **November 20:** Character Education Assembly @ 9am in the Auditorium
- **November 21:** Comfy Cozy Day- Wear Pajamas
- **November 22-23:** Thanksgiving Recess - School is Closed
- **November 28:** Parents in the Classroom @8:15am followed by PTA Meeting @9am in the McKibbin Street Side Cafeteria
- Teachers are available to meet with parents every Tuesday from 2:30- 3:00pm.