December 2019 - January 2020

Fantastic First

Reading: We are continuing to work on our Reader's Workshop non-fiction unit. Students are learning how to read to learn, and to recognize features of non-fiction texts.

Math: We are beginning a new unit where students will learn about place value and base ten. Please help your child practice at home by counting by tens to 100, starting with different numbers.

Writing: Writer's Workshop instruction mirrors Reader's Workshop as we focus on non-fiction. Students are writing non-fiction teaching chapter books on topics of which they are experts.

Social Science: Students will continue to learn about changing feelings and empathy during our Second Step lessons.

Science: We are completing our science unit on light. Students will soon begin a unit on engineering.

Homework:

It is very important that you are helping your child with the spelling words, sight word practice, and math practice each day. Please set aside a time and a quiet place to complete their homework every day to practice good study habits.

Winter Break:

Our last school day before Winter Break will be Friday, December 20th. Students will be returning to school on Thursday, January 2nd.

From the Auxiliary Team…

Physical Education:
In December, students will practice jumping forward or backward consecutively using a self-turned rope and work on being able to differentiate between strong and light forces.

Music: In December, students will prepare songs and dances for their winter show. Rooms 202 and 210 will perform on 12/18, room 201 will perform on 12/19, and room 213 will perform on 12/20. All shows are at 2:15 and families are invited.

Art: In December, students will be creating collage.

Library: In December, students will distinguish between gaining information from illustrations and text.

Technology: In November students will continue to use the Compass Learning program and Typing club websites. They will also begin to use the Brainpop Jr. web site to learn how to do research.

Upcoming Events

Please see school calendar for important upcoming events.

Important Announcements

Attendance is important! Please make sure your child is here **on time** every day so he/she does not miss any important learning!