

# Second Grade News



December 2023

## Reading

We are completing our unit *Becoming Experts*. Students have been learning how to read nonfiction texts closely using background knowledge and text features to collect information. Students have been reading across text sets and accumulating new information about their topics. Students have also been reading and navigating nonfiction texts. In addition to reading nonfiction, students will also be reading about different holidays and their traditions around the world.

## Math

In math, students have begun Topic 5. In this unit students will subtract fluently to 100. Students will learn how to use subtraction strategies such as subtracting tens and ones on a hundreds chart, subtracting tens and ones on an open number line, compensation, break apart, the traditional algorithm and multi step problems. Students will apply the strategies they learned in Topics 3 & 4 as they use subtraction strategies.

## Writing

We are completing our unit on writing informational text. Students have been writing to share their knowledge and teach others in a How To text. We will also write to inform and persuade about different holidays and holiday traditions around the world.



## Social Studies

We will complete Our Changing Earth Unit. We have been focusing on Earth's landforms and bodies of water and how the Earth changes over time. Students will also be studying different holidays and their traditions around the world in nations such as the United States, Mexico, France, Italy and Germany.



# Reminders



**\*We will continue to go outside for recess weather permitting ...PLEASE HAVE YOUR CHILD WEAR A WINTER JACKET AND LONG PANTS. CHILDREN WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PLAY OUTSIDE UNLESS THEY HAVE A WINTER JACKET AND LONG PANTS. It is also very helpful to label the inside of their jacket in case it gets misplaced!**

**\*Please take a minute to complete the Learn with Me survey:**

<https://forms.office.com/r/zevhVwb68A>

**\*Cough Drop FYI:**

Please do not send cough drops to school unless you have signed the form and given it to Ms. Burroughs. Email Ms. Burroughs if you are unsure of what you selected on the beginning of the year forms. If you do send drops in, they are "self carry"- so they must be kept in your child's backpack at all times. Please only send 2 drops each day. Please do not send "life savers" or candy drops.

**\*Please send in headphones for your child to keep at school.**

**\*Please label your chargers.**

**\*Please charge laptops each night and send to school each day.**

**\*Check Fox folder each night and remove any papers from the "Home" side of the folder.**

**\*Please send in a dry snack daily that does not need utensils.**

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## **Dates to Remember:**

**\*Winter Celebration-**December 21st 2:00-3:00 p.m.—we will enjoy a special snack and craft.

**\*Early Dismissal-**December 8th at 12:30 p.m.

**\*Early Dismissal-**December 22nd at 12:30 p.m. (Schools and offices)

**\*Schools Closed-** December 25th—January 1st (Schools reopen January 2nd)

