



# Snowden Farm Elementary



## What's the Scoop?

### "Monthly News"

November 2023

#### Dates to Remember:

11/1 Professional Day- No School

11/2 Marking Period 2 Begins

11/10 Culture Projects

11/20-11/21 Parent Teacher Conferences- Early Dismissal

11/22-11/24 Holiday- No School

#### Up Next:

**Math:** We will be ending our third module in the middle of the month. Students have been learning about three digit numbers and that they are made up of different amounts of hundreds, tens, and ones. Students have worked with bundling ones, tens, and hundreds to make a larger unit, writing and reading numbers in expanded form, word form, and standard form. We will finish out the module by comparing three digit numbers before moving into module four. Module four focuses on building fluency in two-digit addition and subtraction within 100 and applying that fluency to one and two step word problems.

**Reading:** We began our second unit in reading where we are focusing on fiction stories and the question "What can we learn when we face problems?" Students will recount story events, determine the central message, describe how characters respond to major events and challenges, and compare and contrast different versions of the same story.

**Phonics:** With our HD Words lessons, we will be focusing on reading words with vowel teams. Vowel teams are letters that go together that make a long vowel sounds such as: **ai, ay, ee, ea, oa, ow, igh, ie,** and **ey**. At the end of the month, we will be focusing on reading words that have a controlled r sound. Examples are : **ar, or, our, oor, ore,** and **oar**.

**Writing:** With our new reading unit comes a new writing project. Students will be learning all about personal narratives as they write their own. Students will learn to embed phonics and conventions of English into their writing. These include: irregular verbs, adverbs, and reflexive pronouns.

**Social Studies:** Students spent the last few weeks

## November Birthdays:

### Mrs. Swope's Class

Maxwell 18  
Kelden 27

### Ms. Syed's Class

Lawrence 3  
Ariana 20

Andy 23  
Adwita 25

### Mrs. Kerr's Class

Sahib 7  
Grace 19

### Mrs. Pineau's Class

### Mrs. Warwick's Class

Happy  
Birthday

learning about how we live and work in a democratic society. Students learned about rules, laws, and leaders. As we move into quarter 2, students begin by exploring how geographic tools are used to locate and gather information about places on the Earth. Students will begin to explore and analyze natural and human made characteristics to determine how different cultures meet their needs. Students will use that understanding to compare the Wampanoag and Pilgrim ways of life in the early 1600s.

**Science:** Students have been learning about matter, physical properties, and how to choose the best material for a certain job. Students engaged in their first engineering design process to design and construct a structure. Our next unit in science will begin by exploring landforms and develop a deeper understanding about bodies of water. Students will explore changes to the Earth's surface and end the unit with a design project to solve the problem of flooding in certain areas.

**SEL:** At the beginning of the month, we will learn about emotions, identifying situations that cause big emotions, and learning how to recognize when we are having big emotions. At the end of the month, we will learn how taking time to pause can help calm our bodies when we feel big emotions. Invite your learner to teach you about the 6 big emotions and strategies for pausing.

## Classroom Announcements:

~The cold weather is coming, please make sure your child has warm clothing/coats for recess.

~ Please remember to check and sign your student's Communication Folder. Folders will be sent home on Thursdays and be returned the next day. Please be sure to check your child's folder and discuss with them their weekly progress.

Please make sure to send in a note or email when there is any change in dismissal.

**Classroom donations needed:** We will welcome indoor recess games, hand sanitizer, **clorox wipes** and **tissues**. Thank you in advance for your support!