



**October:** We really enjoyed our Halloween parties last week! Thanks so much to everyone for donating tasty snacks and drinks. The decorations looked great, and the activities were lots of fun. Thank you, parents, for all your help!

### Upcoming Events:

Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> : Parent Teacher Conferences

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Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> : Strathmore Field Trip



**Reading:** Our curriculum for this quarter focuses on informational text. We are identifying text features, and explaining how they help us to understand the text. We will also explore folktales from various cultures.

**Writing:** We have been writing to persuade! Our new focus will be on informational writing. We will select a main topic, and use supporting details to write a good paragraph.

**Math:** We will ...

- Solve mental addition and subtraction problems through 20
- Add and subtract through 100
- Identify coin values /add and subtract money amounts

**Science:** We will be using classification skills. We continue to investigate earth materials.

**Social Studies:** We are enjoying a unit on map and globe skills. We are identifying parts of a map as well as the continents and oceans.



**Homework:** Second graders should continue to read for 20 minutes on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights. On Wednesday nights, children should write in their journals. Math homework is Monday through Thursday.

### Special Reminders:

Most children are very low on school supplies right now. Please take a look at your child's pencil pouch, and see which items are needed. Everyone can use a glue stick and a few pencils. Thanks for any donations.

### Basic Facts

Please continue to practice basic facts with your child at home. Your child should know his/her basic facts through 20 by using a number of different strategies.

*Happy Thanksgiving to all!*

