

# October 2023

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Newsletter

It is hard to believe that September is already over and that cooler temperatures and fall-like weather have arrived! We have had a busy first five weeks with learning procedures, building community, and learning to adjust being back at school again.

We are officially halfway through the marking period. If you are registered for ParentVue, you should be able to login and see your child's grades and if they are missing any work.

### Important October dates:

**Oct. 3** - General PTA Meeting

**Oct. 9** - No School

**Oct. 31** - Halloween (Classroom Parties)

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teachers

**Ms. Chalmers**

**Mrs. Currie**

**Ms. Kirkland**

**Mrs. Mitchell**

**Ms. Tran**

**Mrs. Tsarev** (Reading Initiative)

**Mrs. Lowe** (Math)

# WHAT WILL WE BE LEARNING?



## **BENCHMARK READING & WRITING**



We will continue working on Unit 1,  
which focuses on the essential question,  
“Why do we need government?”

By mid-October, we will move into Unit 2,  
which focuses on the essential question,  
“What can we learn when we face problems?”

### Unit 2:

In this unit, students read and compare selections featuring  
different characters who work to resolve problems.

**Reading:** We will recount story events, determine the central message of a story, describe how characters respond to major events and challenges, and compare and contrast two versions of the same story. We will also use illustrations and text to demonstrate understanding of characters, setting, or plot.

**Phonics:** We will continue to work within our new *Really Great Reading Program (HD Word)*. Students are continuing to learn all about phonics, finger stretching, the importance of vowels, and how to decode words.

**Writing:** We will be writing personal narratives.

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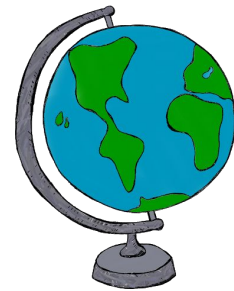
## EUREKA MATH

### Module 3 Math Topics:

- A: Forming Base Ten Units of Ten, a Hundred, and a Thousand
- B. Understanding Place Value Units of One, Ten, and a Hundred
- C. Three-Digit Numbers in Unit, Standard, Expanded, and Word Forms
- D. Modeling Base Ten Numbers Within 1,000 with Money
- E. Modeling Numbers Within 1,000 with Place Value Disks
- F. Comparing Two Three-Digit Numbers
- G. Finding 1, 10, and 100 More or Less Than a Number

## SOCIAL STUDIES AND SCIENCE

In **Social Studies**, we will finish learning about rules, laws, and choices people make about how rights and responsibilities affect the common good of society.



In **Science**, students will investigate matter and its properties. we will use the knowledge gained to determine how properties of matter help materials scientists determine which materials are best suited for a given purpose.

# OUR FAVORITE CANDIES!

## Ms. Chalmers

- Cadbury Milk Chocolate
- Reese's Peanut Butter Cups
- Gummy Cola Bottles



## Mrs. Currie

- Reese's Peanut Butter Cups
- Butterfinger
- Twizzlers



## Ms. Kirkland

- Sour Patch Watermelon
- Starbursts
- Peanut M&M's



## Mrs. Mitchell

- Dark Chocolate
- Malted Milk Balls
- Pop Rocks

## Ms. Tran

- Sour Patch
- Twix
- Swedish fish

