

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

Week of November 2-  
November 6

## Reading/Language Arts

After reading several informational texts about weather, this week we will read poems and a fiction story about the same topic. This will lead to discussions about an author's purpose for writing a text. We use the PIE acronym (Persuade, Inform, Entertain) to help us remember the 3 main purposes.

We will also learn about making inferences. This implicit comprehension skill is one of the most difficult, but also one of the most important in order to really interact with a text. The students will learn the "equation" to create an inference (text evidence + schema = inference). As we read, we still stop and add our schema to the text in order to think more deeply about the characters, setting, and plot.

Phonics: Consonant Digraphs,  
Base Words with -s, -ed, -ing,

Language Arts: Verbs,  
Compound words

## Important Dates

Friday, November 6-  
Report Cards  
PTA Family Movie Night

Monday, November 9-  
Food Drive Begins  
Spirit Week Begins

Friday, November 13:  
Walk-a-thon  
(Specials 11:45-12:25)

## Math

As we near the end of Unit 3, students are being asked to solve one and two-step word problems. Please take time to review this skill at home. Often 2<sup>nd</sup> graders lose track and forget to do all the necessary steps to solve a problem.

We will take next week to wrap up the unit. Our chap. review and test will be the early part of the following week (week of 11-9).

## Social Studies/Science

We will be learning about Native Americans, traditions and cultures of various tribes in the United States. Starting the week of November 9<sup>th</sup>, the second grade classes will rotate each day to learn about a specific tribe and make a craft.

The date for Report Card distribution has been moved to THIS Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>.

This Friday is also PTA Family Movie Night. Come enjoy a movie under the stars with your Bay Meadows family!