

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

Week of November 16-  
November 20

## Reading/Language Arts

This week will focus on non-fiction text features, such as headings, subheadings, bold print, photographs, captions and maps. We will discuss how we can use these text features to help us locate important information efficiently.

We will also learn how to unpack a question and code text evidence that supports our thinking. To incorporate social studies, we will read a text that contrasts Native American life then and now. As we read, we will use symbols to mark the ways the author highlights these differences.

Phonics: Contractoins,  
Language Arts: Past, Present,  
and Future Verbs  
Base Words and Suffixes  
-er, -est

## Important Dates

Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>  
Teach-In

Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>-  
Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup>  
Thanksgiving Break  
No School

## Math

For the past week, we have been exploring 2-digit addition using addends with sums greater than 10. In this case, students are learning that they must "regroup". So far, we have only added using counting blocks and quick draws. However, this week we will dive into the standard algorithm (written form of regrouping). Watch closely as papers come home and be ready to assist your child as needed.

## Social Studies/Science

The students will collect facts about one of the Native American groups we are studying and use a non-fiction text template to turn these facts into an informational article. The template includes many of the text features found in REAL non-fiction books, including maps, pictures, captions and headings. This is a great cross-curricular activity that will really push the students' writing skills.

## Spirit Week Schedule

This is our last week of school before Thanksgiving Break. We will not have school Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> through Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup>.