

SECOND GRADE TIMES



October 2019

Welcome to second grade! The start of the school year has been very exciting. We are looking forward to a great year. The following outline details what we will be working on for the month of October.

Dates to remember:

- October 1st: No School
Rosh Hashanah
- October 3rd: Class Parent
Orientation
- October 7th: PTA meeting;
Spirit Week
- October 9th: No School
Yom Kippur
- October 11th: Pep Rally
- October 12th: Homecoming
at LHS
- October 14th: No School
Columbus Day
- October 17th: SEPTA meet-
ing
- October 21st: Disability
Awareness Day
- October 23rd: ENL Parent
Night (grades K-12)
- October 23rd and 24th:
Picture day
- October 25th: Halloween
Happening
- October 28th: Pumpkin
Picking

Reading

Unit: Reading Growth Spurt

- Getting ready to tackle harder books
- Reading like a writer and making reading-writing connections
- Solving tricky words

Writing

**Unit: Lessons from the Masters:
Improving Narrative Writing**

- Studying the masters for inspiration and ideas
- Noticing Author's Craft
- Revising with intent

Math

Chapter 1 Number Concepts

- Using place value to find the values of numbers and describe them in different ways

Chapter 2 Numbers to 1,000

- Using place value to model, write, and compare numbers

**Science &
Social Studies**

- Properties and Phases of Matter
- Studying rules and laws and why they are important

Reading tips!

- Children must read at home every night and discuss the story.
- Log onto I-Ready and RAZ-kids for extra reading practice.

Math tips!

- Practice math facts with flashcards or use the xtra-math.org program.

Music

As part of National Anti-Bullying Awareness Month, second graders will read a story called Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon, which talks about bullying and how to stand up to a bully. The students will learn a song and play instruments as the pages of the story are turned. Additionally, we will also do a lesson on Columbus Day and Halloween, both of those lessons emphasizing rhythm.



Art

Students will gain knowledge of line, shape, and color through the techniques and tools utilized in each drawing lesson.
Literacy connections: *The Dot* by Peter Reynolds and *The Peace Book* by Todd Parr.
Skills and Materials utilized: pencils, crayons, scissors and mixing paint.



Physical Education

As the crisp air starts to set in, crunchy leaves fall to the playing field, and the Friday night lights start to shine bright, we are gearing up for an incredible new year in the Co-ram gymnasium. This month, students will continue with our soccer unit and improve their foot skills. After that, the real sideshow begins as our carnival target unit begins. Students will have the opportunity to step right up to more than fifteen carnival stalls as they test their skills and ability to strike a target by utilizing numerous familiar and new objects. We will close out the month by beginning preparation for the physical fitness test. With all this and more coming, our students will find new ways to be unstoppable.



Library

Welcome back to another great school year! For the month of October, students begin to check out library books to enjoy at home! Students will begin to familiarize themselves with the different sections of the library while they practice picking out a "just right" book. Students will be also be learning about the responsibility of taking care of a library book and practice good book care etiquette. Students will be coming in weekly for library class and book exchange.

