



# Newsletter for the Week of September 16-20, 2024

Dear Parents,

## Important things you should know:

**Parent-Teacher Conferences** for K—5 will be October 31 & Nov 1<sup>st</sup>. There will be no elementary classes. Sign up will be on Sign up Genius. The link to the sign up will be shared on October 4<sup>th</sup>. I will send an email out when I open the sign up. Please reserve one of these two days on your calendar. Just a heads up - I will be holding conferences from 8:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 3<sup>1st</sup>, and from 8:00 – 12:00 on Friday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Homework reminder:

\*Please remember to read and record on the reading fluency sheet every night. Monday is 1st read and answer questions on Reading fluency sheet. After they answer the questions, then they read for one minute. Only record the number of words read in the minute, not words on the whole sheet. So, if a child reads 93 words in the minute, and has 3 errors, their score would be 90 words per minute. Please remember that Reading fluency homework is due on Friday morning. It is not a race. It is more important to read with fluency and accuracy than speed.

## Homecoming – Sept. 30-Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>

**Monday – Comfy Day** - You can bring one favorite stuffed animal/doll. Please no animals bigger than the students.

**Tuesday – Twin Day**

**Wednesday – Class Color Day**

**Thursday – Hollywood Day**

– Dress like your favorite actor, actress, or superhero.

**Friday – Bluejay Spirit Day**



Our class was chosen to talk to David Ezra Stein during the Scholastic Story Voice on Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>. Hundreds of classes across the United States joined in on this live experience. The author read his book, "The Interrupting Chicken - The Elephant of Surprise." 2nd grade students were excited to ask, "What is his favorite character that he created in his books?"

## Mystery Readers: Fridays from 12:00-12:15 p.m.

So far this year we have had 2 mystery readers share their love of books with the 2<sup>nd</sup> graders. Thank you so much for making this awesome memory for our class. You can sign up to be a Mystery Reader on our class webpage, on the Additional Information page. <https://greenwoodlabschool.mobirisesite.com/page7.html>

Matt McKay & Lucy



Amy Yen & Esther





# Academic Adventures: Language Arts

This week we'll explore the question "How do good friends act?" We'll read a fun and fantastic story about Spider's family, friends, school, and favorite places to play in *Diary of a Spider*. Along with this humorous fiction story, we will read *A Swallow and a Spider*, a traditional tale written in a read-aloud reader's theater format.

This week's...

Target Vocabulary: rotten, sticky, insects, scare, judge, screaming, dangerous, breeze

Phonics Skills: Words with long o (rose) , long u (dune), long e (Pete) (VCe); hard and soft sounds for g (giraffe, goose)

Vocabulary Strategy: Context clues

Comprehension Skill:

Cause and effect—tell how one event makes another happen

Comprehension Strategy:

Summarize— stop to tell important events as you read

Writing Focus: Narrative writing— personal story

## Math

Monday	Chapter 2 Lesson 3	Subtract to compare
Use subtraction to compare.		
Tuesday	Chapter 2 Lesson 4	Count on to subtract
Count on to find the difference.		
Wednesday	Chapter 2 Lesson 5	Related subtraction facts
Write to related subtraction facts.		
Thursday	Chapter 2 Lesson 6	Relate addition & subtraction
Write to related addition & subtraction facts.		
Friday	Chapter 2 Lesson 7	Fact Families
Use mental strategies to add & subtract. Find fact families.		

# HOMework

EACH NIGHT:

\*Read for at least 10 minutes and record the number of minutes read on the reading calendar log in the VIP folder.

## MONDAY

Reading Fluency: Read, answer questions, reread for time, record time on sheet. Put the sheet back into the VIP

Math HMK: Chapter 2 Lesson 3

## TUESDAY

Reading Fluency: Read for time, record time on sheet.

Math HMK: Chapter 2 Lesson 4

## WEDNESDAY

Reading Fluency: Read for time, record time on sheet.

Math HMK: Chapter 2 Lesson 5

## THURSDAY

Reading Fluency: Read for time, record time on sheet.

Math HMK: Chapter 2 Lesson 6

**FRIDAY**: NO Homework



Partners in Education,  
Mrs. Flanders

