

Second Grade Classroom Newsletter

Gladys N. Spellman Elementary School

♥ Learn • Grow • Achieve ♥





Reading

Growing Strong Readers!

This month, we are:

- Identifying the main idea and key details in fiction and nonfiction texts.
- Practicing phonics, decoding, and reading fluently.
- Building vocabulary and using context clues to understand unfamiliar words.
- Sharing our thinking through classroom discussions and written responses.



♥ **At home:** Please encourage your child to read for at least 20 minutes each evening.

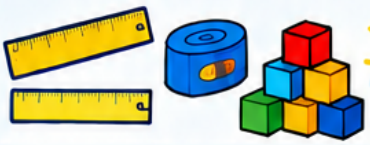


Math

Thinking Like a Mathematician!

This month, we are:

- Exploring place value using tens and ones.
- Measuring different objects using centimeters, inches, meters and yards.
- Practicing addition and subtraction within 100.
- Solving word problems using drawings, number lines, and other strategies.
- Explaining how we solve math problems.



At home: Practice counting by 2s, ts, and 10s and solving everyday addition and suktraction problems. ♥



Science

Mapping Landscapes!

This month, we are:

- Learning how maps are models that represent the locations of landforms and bodies of water.
- Designing and creating maps.
- Asking questions, making predictions, and recording observations.



Science Question: What changes do you notice outside as fall turns into winter?



Social Studies

Learning About Our Community!

This month, we are:

- Learning about our school and neighborhood.
- Exploring the roles of community helpers.
- Discussing what makes a good citizen.
- Learning about traditions and important historical events.



We will continue practicing kindness, responsibility, cooperation, and respect! ♥



Reminders

- Please have your child read at home for 20 minutes each evening.
- Check your child's homework folder and take-home papers daily.
- Send a refiilable water bottle each day.
- Please add your child's name to his or her jacket or sweater.
- Please make sure your child arrives at school on time and ready to learn.

♥ Thank you for your support!



Important Dates

Nov. 3	Election Day
Nov. 11	Parent Conferences
Nov. 16	Picture Day
Nov. 25 – 27	Thanksgiving Break

♥ Mark your calendars! ♥

♥ Happy November! ♥