



SECOND GRADE

Academy of Christian Education

NEWSLETTER

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2019

Welcome

Happy February! Let us celebrate love this month. We will have class parties on Thursday, February 14th to celebrate Valentine's Day.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns you might have at mrthompson@myschoolace.com OR mrspashby@myschoolace.com.

Bible

This month in Bible, we will cover the following Bible stories:

- The 10 Plagues
- Why God Sent the Plagues
- The Passover

Bible Verses:

- Psalm 119:14-16

Upcoming Events

February 1

Parent/Teacher Conferences
NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

February 6

ACE Family Skate Night, 4-9:00 p.m.
Reston Town Center Ice Rink

February 8

Open House, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
(for non-registered families)

February 14

Valentine's Day Parties
Casual Day *(students may wear red, white, or pink casual clothing)*

February 18

PRESIDENT'S DAY HOLIDAY -
NO SCHOOL

February 28

Casual Day *(students may wear modest, casual clothing to school)*

March 1

Interims go home as needed

March 8

Open House, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
(for non-registered families)

March 25

NNAT II Test for 1st Grade Students

March 29

End of the Third Quarter

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Casual Day *(students may wear modest, casual clothing to school)*

Advanced Math

Grade Level 4

Mr. Thompson

This month, we will learn to successfully navigate:

- Data and Graphs
- Pictographs and bar graphs
- Double bar graphs
- Line graphs
- Coordinate graphs
- Line plots and Stem and Leaf plots
- Logic, Create Graphs
- Inches and feet
- Length and distance
- Renaming measurements
- Weight, Capacity, Temperature
- Time: AM and PM (before and after the hour)
- Elapsed time, calendar, and Roman Numerals

Test Dates:

- 2/13 - Ch. 9

Language

This month in Language, we will learn about:

- Linking Verbs – Present & Past
- Contractions
- Suffixes – Verbs to Nouns
- Pronouns: subject, object, possessive
- Writing a Book Report

Students will continue reading *Winnie the Pooh*, by A. A. Milne. *Winnie the Pooh* is a fictional story about the most beloved characters in the history of children's literature. The children will uncover the relationships between a yellow bear who loved honey, and his loyal friends in the Hundred Acre Wood.

The students will be tested on comprehension.

Music

"The wise musicians are those who play what they can master." -Duke Ellington

This month in Music Class:

- Students will identify bar lines, and time signature
- Students will review and label solfa notes on the musical staff
- Students will review instruments in the woodwind family
- Students will continue Recorder Karate curriculum
- Students will learn about Duke Ellington for February's Composer of the Month

Art

There is beauty in everything, just not everybody sees it. ~Andy Warhol

This month we will get to know Andy Warhol and his style of work; from using rubber stamps, silkscreen, commercial advertisements to celebrities as subjects for his artwork. We will explore the meaning of Pop Culture and Pop Art.

Second Graders will use Warhol's Flower painting as inspiration for their very own flower projects.

STEAM

In January we learned all about snowflakes – how they are formed, how drag and gravity affect how they fall and what causes the different kind of snow crystals. We then took several classes to do challenges presented by Google. The first, broaden our horizons as we started dreaming about what students hope their communities will be like when they are adults, and how they could participate in making changes for the better.

We also listened to a variety of musical pieces and talked about what emotions, colors, shapes and moods they evoked in us. Students painted a picture that represented what their song choice made them think about when they listened to it.

In February, we will focus on learning some coding concepts by using Beebot robots, Osmos games on the iPads, and Spheros.

Math I Grade Level 3

Mrs. Pashby

This month, we will focus on the math concepts:

- Multiply by 8,9, & 10
- Associative Property
- Number Sequence
- Square Number
- Divide by 6,7,8, & 9
- Lines & Angles
- Patterns
- Perimeter & Area

Test dates:

- 2/6 - Ch. 11 Test
- 2/20 - Ch. 12 Test

Technology

This month in Technology class the Lower Elementary classes will learn about the Scratch programming language. Coding with Scratch is fun and exciting. We will learn about controlling a character using loops, movement blocks, variables and events.

Don't forget to practice typing for 15 minutes each week!

Science

Students will get energized while learning about motion and gravity. With a fun game of Tug-o-War, they will understand force and friction. Next, they will unearth the wonders of soil, rocks, and minerals.

Test dates:

- 2/14 – Ch. 7 Test

History

This month in History, students will learn about the following:

- Cities and farm life
- Technological advances
- Immigrants
- Post office and telegraph
- Reform Movements
- Progress

Test dates:

- 2/26 Chapter 7 Test

PE / Spanish

In Spanish, students will be learning about the country of Bolivia. Lower elementary will be learning vocabulary around the house as well as practicing more on Duolingo.

This month in PE, in students will be working on their soccer skills through drills and basic training. They will also play a mock game at the end of the month.