

ACE NEWS

2nd Grade Newsletter | September 2019

Music

This month in Music we will introduce students to the composer Bach.

We will also learn:

- Dynamics
- Tempo
- Beats
- Notes: D E F G A
A B C D E

Technology

This month in Technology, students will learn about using technology responsibly. They will focus on digital citizenship in learning to effectively use applications on iPads and computers. They will practice typing skills, use Google Docs, Duolingo, and Google Drive.

PE

Welcome to PE! We are excited about the start of the new school year! This month, our students will learn about the importance of warming up before exercising and major muscle groups. We will use soccer and group games to reinforce teamwork and good sportsmanship. Parents are welcome to join us for your child's PE class during National 'Take your parent to PE week'; Sept. 23-27!

Art

In Art, students will be learning the fundamentals of art with age appropriate projects that will enhance their critical thinking and creative skills.



Welcome to Second Grade!

Welcome to 2nd Grade! We are so excited to begin a new year here in second grade. Second grade provides a great opportunity to grow and develop more independence while still having loads of fun with crafts, manipulatives, and games. During second grade, students find that reading expands the horizon, while stationary numbers begin to move and really take you places. It's an exciting time of development! If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at mrspashby@myschoolace.com or mrzellner@myschoolace.com.

Language

Reading

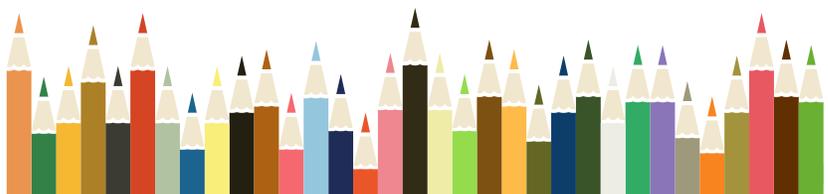
Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder is the first book in our lineup of many exciting reads! First in the series of Little House on the Prairie series, this is a historical novel about a young family living on a farm in early America. It is a great novel to get our students ready for a year of developing their reading and comprehension skills. There will be reading pages and comprehension questions assigned throughout the week.

Writing/Grammar

This month we will cover identifying different types of sentences and nouns. Language tests are on Mondays.

Spelling

Spelling lists will include challenging words pulled from various subjects. New lists are handed out on Fridays and tested the following Friday of each week.



Upcoming Events

September 2

Labor Day Holiday – No School

September 5

Parent Orientation for Elementary Classes, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
(*Parents Only Please*)

September 9

After School Clubs Begin

September 13

Picture Day

September 20

Open House, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
(*for unregistered families*)

September 21

ACE Family Bingo, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

September 30

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

October 1

Students need to bring jackets to school daily starting today

October 4

Interims go home as needed

October 11

Open House, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
(*for unregistered families*)

October 14

Columbus Day Holiday – No School

October 29

End of 1st Quarter
Parents Schedule Conferences
Online

October 31

Casual Day (*students may wear modest casual clothing to school – no costumes please*)

Bible Verses & Stories

Second grade starts with the two most important stories of all. The first is how Jesus rescues us from our wrongdoing and its eternal consequences. The second is how God made the world, us, and lives through and within us when we have accepted His forgiveness. We look forward to a wonderful year filled with these valuable lessons.

- September 6 - Lesson 2 and Ephesians 6:12 Quiz
- September 13 - Lesson 3 and Ephesians 6:11-12 Quiz
- September 20 - Lesson 4 and Ephesians 6:13 Quiz
- September 27 - Lesson 5 and Ephesians 6:14 Quiz

Math 3

This month, students will review and learn the following:

- Addition, Subtraction, & Checking Answers
- Zero, Associative, & Commutative Properties
- Fact Families 13-18
- Missing Addend, Place Values, Odds & Evens
- Rounding and Round to Estimate
- Compare & Order
- Roman Numerals
- Renaming
- Charts, Tables, & Graphs

- September 4 - Chapter 1 Test
- September 18 - Chapter 2 Test
- September 25 - Chapter 3 Test

Science

In Science, students will learn the difference between cold and warm-blooded animals as well as defining the parts and functions of plants. Our first test will be on September 12th.

History

This month in History, students will focus on the following topics:

- Providence, challenges, dominion, and covenant
- Primary vs. Secondary sources
- Tension: Great Awakening and the French and Indian War
- Articles of Confederation
- Constitutional Convention
- Slavery and Trade
- Approval of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights

- September 10 - Chapter 1 Test
- September 24 - Chapter 2 Test

STEAM

Welcome back to the STEAM lab! This month we are reviewing the engineering design process and beginning our journey to becoming problem solvers for the future. Each grade will be focusing on different aspects of STEAM throughout the year as we incorporate the appropriate NGSS standards into their curriculum.

I am so proud of how the students have jumped back into the routine and come each day ready to learn. If you would like to contribute to the STEAM program, we are always looking for donations of: toilet paper and paper towel rolls, shoe boxes, egg cartons and plastic bottle tops.