

Ms. Cornell's 1st/2nd March 2019 Newsletter

Language Arts/Reading:

- Phonemic patterns for the month of March will be as follows: -ob, -ink, -ent, -ock.
- Writing for the month of March will be publishing our personal narratives and poetry!
- Reading strategies: 'stop, think, react' for comprehension, 'beginning and ending sounds' for accuracy, and rereading for fluency. I will be teaching each of these skills over the next 3 weeks as a whole-group activity/lesson and honing in on these strategies during our small groups.
- Please don't forget that the main reading homework for your child is **20 minutes of reading every night**. This can be accomplished by reading to your child, but I strongly encourage having your child read to you. The more they practice, the better and better they will get at reading!

1st grade Math:

- Identify, classify, and describe plane shapes.
- Make same and different shapes.
- Divide shapes into two and four equal parts.
- Describe the whole as the sum of its parts.
- Understand that dividing the whole into more equal parts creates smaller parts.
- Identify, classify, and sort solid shapes.
- Combine and separate plane and solid shapes.
- Identify plane and solid shapes in real life.
- Use plane shapes to identify, extend, and create patterns.

2nd grade Math:

- Use bar models to solve addition and subtraction problems.
- Apply the inverse operations of addition and subtraction.
- Model addition as joining sets.
- Model subtraction as taking away.
- Model addition and subtraction as comparing sets.
- Use bar models to solve two-step addition and subtraction problems.

Religion:

- To learn prayers of praise
- To discover how people in Jesus' time praised God
- To experience ways we praise God during Mass

Science:

- Explore a number of different solid materials.
- Describe properties of solid materials.
- Recognize solids as different from other states of matter.
- Sort solids by their properties.
- Describe how the properties of solid materials can have specific uses.

Social Studies:

We are working on our Storypath: Solving Problems in the Park! For more on Storypath, check out Principal Kilbane's 'Principals Corner' or visit teachingstorypath.com.

- Work with others to decide on the rules of the park.
- Analyze the problem of graffiti and suggest ideas for addressing the problem.
- Write rules for the park.

Service Project:

Our Parish Partner meeting is scheduled for March 7th from 1:15-3:00 in the Chardin Room. If you know of any members of our parish who would like to join or might want to join, have them email me! The more the merrier!