

March 2020

Grade 2 Parent Newsletter

“I am the Bread of Life. Those who come to Me will never be hungry.” John 6:35

Religion: Students will be receiving their First Reconciliation on Tuesday, March 24, at 10 am in the St. Mary School Auditorium. This is for the St. Mary School students receiving First Holy Communion with St. Mary Parish in May. Parents are welcome to come to this blessed sacrament. We will also celebrate St. Patrick’s Day and St. Joseph’s Day.

ELA: During March we will be reading *My Name Is Gabriela* and *The Signmaker’s Assistant*. These two selections focus on communication through reading and writing. Reading comprehension skills that go along with the anchor texts will include understanding characters, author’s word choice, and target strategy skills that will help students analyze and evaluate the story. During phonics and spelling lessons, students will be learning the long *e* sound for *y* and changing *y* to *i*, words with *ar*, and words with *or*, *ore*. Grammar lessons will focus on the verb *Be*, and *Commas in a Series*. Writing lessons will include writing a descriptive paragraph, writing a fictional story, and writing a problem-solution paragraph.

Math: We will continue in Chapter 7, *Place Value to 1000*. Students build on their understanding of place value of two-digit numbers to explore place value to 1000. They will use place value to represent a three-digit number and solve problems. Students will write three-digit numbers in expanded form, skip count by 5s, 10s, and 100s, compare numbers within 1000, and order numbers within 1000.

Science: This month our science topic is Earth’s Processes. In this chapter, students are introduced to the processes that shape the surface of Earth. They will explore Earth events that happen slowly and quickly and will investigate and explain how these events happen on Earth.

Health: This month our health lessons will focus on the circulatory and muscular systems of the body. We will learn the importance of keeping our bodies healthy with movement and exercise.

Social Studies: In social studies, we will begin Chapter 3, *Government*. This chapter focuses on how rules and laws help people and society. They will know how our government works, the roles and responsibilities of the president and Congress in the federal government, and the role of the Supreme Court in our government and civil life.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Santoro and Mrs. Ceramello



