

Second Grade Newsletter

Week of Sep 5, 2022 - Sep 9, 2022

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Families,

Hope you enjoyed your long weekend and now short week of school. We can't believe it's Friday already! Please read for updates on what your students are learning!

What We are Learning:

Language Arts

- We will be beginning our EL curriculum this upcoming week! Students will be working on building a positive classroom community and diving deeper into what schools are and why schools are important.
- In Letterland we are continuing to practice our stamina in independent work so we can successfully complete our upcoming first Letterland unit.

Math

- In math students are continuing to practice mental math strategies and will be showing what they have learned on Wednesday, Sep 14, 2022 .
- On Thursday, Sep 15, 2022 , we will begin our next unit to build fluency with addition and subtraction within 1000 using second-grade strategies.

Science/Social Studies

- We are starting our first social studies unit where we will explore diverse cultures and values. We will cover family and community beliefs and values and how they influence culture.

Positivity Project:

- This week we will begin our first Positivity Project by exploring [Other People Mindset](#).
- [Family Letter for week of Sept. 12th - Intro week - Other People Mindset](#)
- The Positivity Project has also created a 2-minute video [Of This, I'm Positive](#), highlighting the power of character strengths in our everyday lives.

Important Reminders from White Oak

- Please continue to monitor [The Explorer Express](#) sent out by school administrators on Sunday afternoons. This newsletter contains important information and updates from the school.
 - If you NOT receiving school emails and text messages, please do the following:
 - Check out this information - <https://www.wcpss.net/domain/12201>
 - Contact the Front Desk if your contact information has changed so she can update in Powerschool.
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KITS Training for parents (Kindergarten to 3rd grade): Are you looking for an opportunity to volunteer in your child's grade? In the world of education, the phrase “critical thinking skills” is used so widely that most of us don’t stop to truly contemplate what it means for our early learners. Over the years, many educational buzzwords have come and gone, but now more than ever before teachers and researchers are realizing the true importance of planting the seeds for critical analysis. Our school has a program called **KITS** (Kids into Thinking) and we have all that you need to teach them. Come find out more about this opportunity to volunteer an hour of your day to work with students in your child's grade.

Our Meeting is September 15, 2022, from 12:00-1:00 in room 2218. This is for parents of Kindergarteners to 3rd graders.

I hope you can join us!

Mrs. Wiltse

AIG Teacher

Important Dates:

- September 15th- Open House
- September 26th - Teacher Workday, No School