



April 2nd Grade News



ELA

This month we begin our final ELA Unit of Study—Comparing Tales from Around the World. Comparing Tales from Around the World allows students to explore a variety of different cultures through stories from around the world. Recognizing that although cultures are different we can notice similarities and use those as a lens to deepen our understanding and appreciation of texts, people, and cultures. Here are the texts and vocabulary words for the upcoming month:

Princess Grace: bound, disgusted, depends

Magician's Boy: enviously, performed, impressive, useless, ridiculous, clumsy, whine

Cinderella: misery, stylish, stammered, assembled, singled out

Adelita A Mexican Cinderella Tale: merchant, widow, meager, serious, stunning, chimed

During our writing lessons this month, we will be doing country research. The children will choose a country to research. They will then make a "suitcase" of information on that country.

Word Study

This month our word study focuses on the following patterns/skills: consonant clusters, vowel sounds (ou, ow, and aw, various sounds of a, multiple meaning words, forming plurals, and homonyms.

[Homonym Frog](#)

High Frequency/Word Wall Words

[Week 25](#) (April 4-8) you, your, you're, can't, again

[Week 26](#) (April 11-15) there, their, they're, grow, follow

[Week 27](#) (April 18-22) mother, father, children, always, live

[Week 28](#) (April 25-29) light, outside, across, read, found

*Blue Hyperlinks will take you to Spelling City for that week!

Handwriting

We are wrapping up teaching the individual letters. During the last quarter of the year, we will have the children practice using their skills to connect the letters to form words. You can help your child by practicing writing his/her name in cursive as well as having him/her try to read cursive. Please be sure to practice using the [D'Neilan Style Cursive](#).

Math

We will begin Unit 7 this month. This unit teaches addition and subtraction of two three-digit numbers. There will be a renewed focus on place value in three-digit numbers as well as expanded form. The children will continue to work on two step word problems as well as counting combinations of coins. We will be using resources from Eureka Math. You will receive a Parent Tip Sheet for this unit. Keep it handy to answer questions you may have throughout the unit!

Science

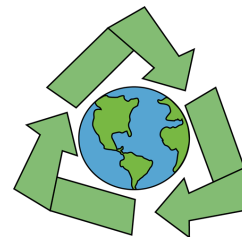
During the 4th Quarter, we will be studying the life cycle of mealworms as well as seeds and plants. We're looking forward to ending this unit with a visit to Red Oak Nature Center in May! 2S & 2T will go to Red Oak on 5/10 and 2D & 2G will go on 5/13! Look for more information to come home soon!

[Mealworm Info](#)

[Mealworm Facts for Kids](#)

Social Studies

This month we will be discussing the various types of Landforms. The children will learn the landforms are were formed.



The children will learn what the names of and how they

Important Upcoming Events to Remember

April 6: Science Fair 5:30-8:00pm Check out details on the [Science Fair Site!](#)

April 9: PTA Spring Carnival 1-4pm

April 18-22: 4th Grade Summer Fun Drive

April 19: PTA Restaurant Night at Yogurt Beach

April 29: White Eagle Pride Day

May 10: 2S & 2T to Red Oak Nature Center

May 13: 2D & 2G to Red Oak Nature Center

