Reading:

In reading we are reviewing story elements in fiction stories as well as analyzing the characters based on what they think, do, feel, or say. Some examples of character traits we are discussing are: brave, heroic, clever, smart, greedy, respectful, etc. Our next focus is on making predictions and using context clues to understand new vocabulary.

In writing we are working on writing personal narratives as we learn the writing process (plan, rough draft, revise, edit, and final copy). We are also working hard to understand and use complete sentences with the appropriate end punctuation and using capitals where needed (beginning of a sentence, proper nouns, and the word I).

Math:

In math, we will be learning different strategies to add. Some of the strategies included are counting on, the commutative property and finding missing addends when solving story problems. We will then move onto locating two-digit numbers on a partially filled number line.

Science:

In Science this week, we have covered how to think like a scientist by using our inquiry skills. We learned about some of the tools that scientists use, including: hand lens, thermometer, measuring cup, scale, balance, ruler, and tape measure.

This next week, we will be discussing the steps that go into the scientific method and how each step is used during an experiment.

Back to School Night:

- Thursday, September 19th
- 5:00 – 5:45 p.m.
- 6:00 -- 6:45 p.m.
- Parents Only
- Looking forward to seeing you!

Twitter:

Be sure to follow us on Twitter at: PRES2ndGrade
We love to tweet about all the great things we are doing in second grade, including photos!

Spirit Fridays:

We show our Patriot Pride Spirit on Fridays! Wear Red, White, and Blue or a Park Ridge shirt to promote our school spirit! PRES shirts may be ordered online by using the link below. The class with the most spirit will get the weekly spirit award! If you would like to purchase PRES spirit wear, please direct your browser to the following link: https://parkridgespiritwear.com/
Online School Payments:

Online School Payments has been upgraded to now include a new Mobile App for parent use.

What's New?
- Mobile App
- Faster Transactions
- Easy Transition

To Download the OSP Mobile:
- Google Play for Android
- iTunes/App Store for Apple
  - https://itunes.apple.com/ca/app/osp-online-school-payments/id1455205232

For Parents:
- Online Help Page available at osmsinc.com/osp
- Quick Start Guide available at tinyurl.com/ospparentguide

Bubbles

BUBBLES! Who doesn’t love bubbles? PRES is jumping in to help support the Give Back Team of Coldwell Bankers, in their efforts to fill Dr. Bear’s Closet at Children’s National. We are going to collect BUBBLES! LOTS and LOTS of BUBBLES! Our goal is 200 bottles of bubbles by September 20th.

Please keep in mind that the BUBBLES will be used to pack gift bags for birthdays and care packages for families to help distract them during their hospital visits, so, the smaller sized BUBBLES will work BEST! (Not the tiny wedding sized ones and not the HUGE refill ones! Think somewhere in the middle.)

Every BOTTLE COUNTS! We have until September 20th to collect at least 200 bottles of HAPPINESS! Hope you all have a BUBBLY Week!

Upcoming Events:

Wednesday, September 18:
Early Release – 1:20 p.m.

Thursday, September 19:
Back to School Night
5:00 – 5:45 p.m.
6:00 – 6:45 p.m.

Thursday, September 26:
Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night – 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 10:
Cici’s Spirit Night – 5:00 p.m.

Friday, October 11:
Early Release – 1:20 p.m.
End of First Quarter

Monday, October 14:
Professional Day – Columbus Day
No School for Students

Friday, October 18:
Report Cards Go Home

Thursday, October 24:
Chili Cook-Off

Saturday, October 26:
Trunk or Treat

Thursday, October 31:
Early Release – 1:20 p.m.

Tuesday, November 5:
No School – Election Day

Friday, November 8:
Movie Night

Monday, November 11:
No School – Veterans Day

Wednesday, November 13:
Carlos O’Kelly’s – All Day

Thursday, November 14:
Picture Retakes

Friday, November 15:
Interims Go Home

Wednesday, November 27 – Friday, November 29:
Thanksgiving Holidays

Friday, December 20:
Early Release – 1:20 p.m.

Monday, December 23 – Friday, January 3
Winter Break

Monday, January 6:
No School – Professional Day

Friday, February 14:
Early Release – 1:20 p.m.