

# Mrs. Dunklee's Class

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Weekly Newsletter

Week of October 3-7

### Dates to Remember

Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> – Early Release

Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> – Field Trip to Kaleidoscope

Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> – Picture Retakes

Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> – No School

Oct. 25-27-Conferences

Oct. 27-28 – No School

### News From the Teacher

Our field trip to Kaleidoscope is on Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. This is a fun field trip for the students, and I know they are excited to go. I wanted to give you a few pieces of information about the trip.

1. Students need to pack a lunch for that day. We will be eating in the classroom after we get back from Kaleidoscope. We will not go to the cafeteria that day. Please do not pack any peanut products due to allergies.
2. I am able to take 4 parent chaperones on the trip. The bus leaves at 8:50 and we will arrive back at school around 11:45. Please let me know if you are interested in attending the trip with the class.
3. This day is Pajama Day to celebrate Peace Week. Due to the field trip, students may not wear pajamas in the morning. They cannot attend Kaleidoscope in pajamas. If they wish, they may bring pajamas to change into when we return to school.

### Schedule & Agenda

Please make sure you check your child's "P.A.N.T.H.E.R Binder" for daily reminders and assignments! Below is just a "general" activities schedule! **Don't forget to read for 20 minutes each night.**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Day: B	Day: C	Day: D	Day: E	Day: A
Comp/REAL BEAR Log Due Math Test	Spanish/PE	Music/Spanish Math Fact Quiz	PE/Music	Art Library Day Spelling Test
HW: No Homework	HW: No Homework	HW: Math 5-1	HW: Math 5-2	

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## Spelling Words

### Long Vowel e

\*\*\*Due to the field trip on Thursday, the spelling test will be on Friday, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>.

#### Weekly List

1. Maybe
2. Green
3. Clean
4. Theme
5. Relief
6. Field
7. Deep
8. Team
9. Niece
10. Believe

#### Challenge List

1. Piece
2. Carefree
3. Depart
4. Season
5. Windshield
6. Agree
7. Reason
8. Dream
9. Beneath
10. Achievement

## Reading: All Around Town

Our new theme in reading is *All Around Town*. Throughout this theme students will be learning the science concepts of building communities, tools and technology, nature, and transportation. Please help your child relate to the following focus question: **How are communities built?**

#### Skills:

- Phonics: Long o spelled o, o\_e, ow, oa, oe; /f/ spelled ph
- Word Study: Plural nouns with spelling changes: -y (-ies), -y (ys), ; -f(-ves)
- Comprehension Strategy: Make predictions
- Comprehension Skill: Identify details and facts
- Grammar: Singular and plural common nouns

## Math: Place Value to 100

This week we will begin Topic 5 on place value. We will discuss modeling tens and ones, reading and writing numbers, and using symbols to compare numbers. Remember students have a timed math facts quiz every Wednesday. Please practice with their flashcards at home.

## Science: Materials and Their Uses

The kids are continuing to have a great time learning about materials and engineering design in our science curriculum. They completed their bridges out and are ready to check their structures for strength when they are dry and wet. They will collect and analyze data as they work together. We will then begin discussing materials and their uses and make extreme designs.

## Writing: Writer's Workshop

This week we will continue discussing How To Writing. Students will hear mentor texts, use time order words, and begin writing their own how to paragraph.

## Social Studies: Economics

This week, students will begin a unit on Economics. They will discuss needs and wants, consumers and producers, and goods and services.