

# Second Grade Newsletter



## What's Happening This Month

(12-17 ) The Houston Children's Museum Comes to Askew! 5–6:30pm

(12-18) Toy Drive Donations Due

(12-20) Holiday Classroom Party

(12-23---1-3) No School Winter Break

(1-6) No School for Students

(1-7) First Day of School for Students

## What We Are Learning

**Reading: Unit 5: Cycles of Nature—Clouds to Raindrops** Students are introduced to the cycles of nature as they study seasonal cycles, animal life cycles, and the importance of the water cycle. Students will also learn about the effects seasonal changes have on plants and animals. As students learn that all organisms, including people, experience the developmental stages of the life cycle, they will also begin to understand how all organisms depend on Earth's limited water supply. Students will write an informational paragraph summarizing the life cycle of a frog.

**Math: Module 4: Addition and Subtraction Within 200 with Word Problems with 100**

Students will be able to solve addition with up to three two-digit numbers using mental strategies based on knowledge of place value and properties of operations.

**Social Studies: Unit 3: Money Matters—Economics & Tech**

This unit focuses on developing students' understanding of economics, technology's impact on meeting basic needs, and the role of government services. Students will explore concepts like earning money, making choices about spending and saving, production and consumption, technological advancements, and the influence of science on meeting basic needs.

**Science: Topic 4: Weather and the Sky—Severe Weather Events**

Students will investigate extreme weather, including hurricanes, tornadoes, and floods, and where they are most likely to occur. – Sun and Moon: Students will collect observations to explain that the Sun provides Earth with light and heat and that the Moon reflects the Sun's light. – Students will investigate and predict cause-and-effect relationships between the light of the Sun and heat on Earth.

**SOR:** Students will be able to decode and spell words with inflectional endings -s and -es. Students will also edit a draft for common and proper nouns, capitalization of months and days of the week, commas in dates, and end punctuation.

## Student Homework Resources

Amira  
Zearn  
Paloma  
Brain Pop Jr.

HAPPY  
HOLIDAYS

## Contact

2nd Grade Planning  
M-F from 2:00pm to 3:00pm

## Reminder

### Attendance

Per the Texas Education Code (25.092) and FEC (LOCAL), a minimum attendance requirement of 90% of class meetings for the award of course credit.

Students who have accumulated more than 10% absences in their courses during the school year will have asterisks (NG) printed on their report cards next to the courses in which the excessive absences occurred.