

# Ms. Toneri & Friends

December-January—2018-19



## Monthly 2nd Grade Newsletter

### Reading/Writing:

This month, students begin a study of citizenship. essential question for this



is: "What are our responsibilities to each other?" There are several important reading/writing skills that will be developed in this unit. Foremost is **close reading**. When you close read, you analyze facts and details about the text you read. Students will begin writing about the text when answering questions about non-fiction **reading**. Our schoolwide focus is "kindness", how do we treat others and do we understand our behavior affects others?

## <u>Math:</u>

In January, students will continue to develop fluency with addition and subtraction facts with a couple of students who will move onto multiplication and division! Students who understand the relationship between **addition and subtraction** will have a much easier time memorizing facts. I recommend adding **five minutes of daily practice** memorizing +facts to your homework routine. Families and home practice can be a great help in this process. My own daughter use to practice daily on the math computer program, xtramath.org. Flash cards work for practice too, check out our classroom website, etc.

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#### <u>Science</u>

We will begin our science unit, Weather! We will be recording daily weather, making observations,, drawing diagramsa,., learning about natural disasters, etc. <u>Semester Ends</u> <u>1/25/19</u> We will engage in end

of the semester assessments this month to determine what skills and concepts students have mastered as well as support planning for individuals and groups of students for the next semester. I LOVE learning with your children. Thank you for this



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