

2nd Grade



THE FALCON FOCUS

3rd Quarter

Reading

Interpreting Author's Message:

- Students will develop ideas and theories about text to deepen their understanding. They will interpret messages conveyed by the authors.

Critical Literacy:

- Students will notice stereotypes in text and illustrations and explore perspectives that are present and those that are absent.

Realistic Fiction

- Students will draw from real life events to create engaging narratives using what they learned from our previous personal narrative unit.

Writing

Persuasive Letters

- Students will communicate their opinion or idea on topics that they feel strongly about and share their perspective. They will elaborate on their reasons and give evidence to support their opinion.

Fractions:

- Students will practice recognizing fractions as equal shares and parts of a whole. We will represent fractions with halves, fourths, eighths, thirds, and sixths and compare unit fractions.

2 Digit Addition and Subtraction

- Students will continue to extend their ideas about the composition of numbers and the meanings of addition and subtraction through practice with story problems, problem solving strategies, estimation, and the use of the = and \neq symbols.

Math

Geometry

- Students will begin to explore geometry through sorting, categorizing, and naming geometric figures. We will explore symmetry and connect numeric patterns to geometric patterns.



Science

Energy and Matter

- Students will observe that objects (matter) may break into smaller pieces, be put together into larger pieces, or change shapes. They will learn that energy can be transferred in various ways and between objects.
- Substances are made of matter and have observable and identifiable characteristics.
- Changes in matter can be observed and investigated in order to understand the natural world.
- Forces can have an effect on objects and have an important application in our every day lives.

Social Studies

European Explorations

- Students will investigate the exploration and settling of North America with a brief focus on Christopher Columbus and Christopher Newport.

Economics

- Students will continue to explore the concepts of natural, capital, and human resources. We will learn about bartering, money, scarcity, consumers and producers.

Famous Americans (Early America)

- We will learn about the contributions of important Americans such as Washington, Jefferson, Franklin, and Lincoln.

Reminder

Field Trip: Native American
Museum on 2/14

Our EF traits for Quarter 2:

February: Managing Time
March: Planning & Prioritizing