# 2nd Grade Gazette

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### Honoring All Learners

### Reading

In reading we have begun putting the first of our three Daily 5 routines in to place. We started with Read to Self. This is independent reading time where students get to enjoy books of their choice. We have also been reviewing how to select good fit books, which are books that fit both student interests and reading levels. Students loved exploring their classroom libraries to "shop" for new books!

Remember that students should be reading for 20 minutes each night as part of their homework routine. ③

"Start writing, no matter what. The water does not flow until the faucet is turned on." – Louis L'Amour

## Writing

We have begun introducing the writing process for Informative paragraphs. Students have explored the process of brainstorming, organizing, writing a rough draft, editing, and writing a final draft. Students have started to use editing marks when they are proofreading their writing as well.

# Specials Schedule

- Day 1-
  - Beaven (PE)
  - o Berg (Art)
  - o Haselby
  - (Music)
  - o Bell (Tech)
- Day 2
  - Bell (PE)
  - o Beaven (Art)
  - Berg (Music)
  - o Haselby
    - (Tech)
- Day 3
  - Haselby (PE)
  - o Bell (Art)
  - o Beaven
  - (Music)
  - o Berg (Tech)
- Day 4
  - Berg (PE)
    - o Haselby (Art)
    - o Bell (Music)
    - o Beaven (Tech)

# Core

We are having so much fun learning all about maps and the geography of North America in Core. In this unit we are also learning all about directions, landforms and the fifty states. Students are working to complete a research project about a state they've selected and will share these projects with their classmates. When kids share their posters in class next week, we will also focus on public speaking and presentation skills. Thank you for supporting your child with their research!

# Math

Our first topic of enVision math is off to a great start! Throughout the topic, we are focusing on different strategies to increase our number fluency, specifically adding and subtracting within 20. We always tell our students that the great thing about knowing many math strategies is the ability to choose the one that works best for them! We are using patterns on an addition facts table, tens frames, and number lines to enhance our problem -solving skills. We have also reviewed doubles

and near-doubles facts. We will be using mental math strategies and solving word problems as well. Thank you for reviewing basic facts to 20 with your child at home. This will help them increase their math fact fluency.

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# Upcoming Dates:

September 13th- Picture Day and 1k Fun Run (\*Fun Run is immediately after school)

September 14th- Wellness Day

September 19th- 2nd grade field trip to Centennial Village (\*permission slips coming home next week!)

September 21st- No School/Collaboration Day