



# Mrs. Hugh's Grade Two Classroom News January 2020

## Important Dates

- Jan. 6 – First day back to school
- Jan. 6-10 – Indiana Jones Parkour in the Gym all week
- Jan. 10 – PAC Movie Night
- Jan. 11 – VES Bottle Drive in the Gym
- Jan. 17 – Hot Lunch (Jay's Pizza)
- Jan. 20 – One School One Book Begins
- Jan. 24 – Hot Lunch
- Jan. 27 – Inclusion Revolution in the Gym for PE classes
- Jan. 30 – Jump Rope for Heart Assembly
- Jan. 30 – Spirit Day (Blast from the Past)
- Jan. 30 – Hot Lunch

## Classroom News



Happy New Year! I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable Christmas holiday.

Our January Virtue of the Month is Self-Control. Throughout the month we will be encouraging students to focus on the following "I can" statements:

- I do what is expected even when nobody is watching.
- I speak and act calmly when I am angry or hurt.
- I create routines that bring peace and order to my days.

## Birthdays this Month

There are no birthdays this month.



**Healthy Lunches:** As we begin a new year, please remember to choose healthy, fresh foods selected from the four food groups to fuel your child's brain throughout the day. Also, no nuts, please.

**Winter Clothing:** It is officially Winter. Please ensure your child comes to school dressed appropriately for the weather. We try to go outdoors as much as possible, provided it is not pouring with rain. Warm jackets, boots, mittens, scarves, and toques will help keep your child warm, dry, and comfortable while playing outdoors.



### Why Can't I Skip My 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?

Student "A" reads <b>20 minutes</b> each day	Student "B" reads <b>5 minutes</b> each day	Student "C" reads <b>1 minute</b> each day
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3600 minutes in a school year	900 minutes in a school year	180 minutes in a school year
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1,800,000 words



90<sup>th</sup> percentile

282,000 words



50<sup>th</sup> percentile

8,000 words



10<sup>th</sup> percentile

By the end of 6<sup>th</sup> grade Student "A" will have read the equivalent of 60 whole school days. Student "B" will have read only 12 school days. Which student would you expect to have a better vocabulary? Which student would you expect to be more successful in school...and in life?  
(Nagy & Herman, 1987)



### Our Schedule

Wednesday: Music with Mrs. Larsen  
Library with Mrs. Chand

\*\*\*Please return library books in the book bag each week. **If your child has been reading every night, s/he will have reached 100 nights of reading in December!** Please return the filled out green reading log for our Super Reader Assembly!

Thursday: Music - with Mrs. Larsen

Friday: PE - with Mrs. Hugh



## What We're Learning

**Reading:** We will continue with Reading Groups during our Daily 5 time. Please remember to practice spelling words with your child and read together every day.

**Math:** We will be working learning addition and subtraction skills with two digit numbers. The expectation in Grade 2 is that students will be able to add and subtract two digit numbers without regrouping. They are also expected to count forwards and backwards from 0-100 by 2, 5, and 10. Please continue to practice this skill at home.

**Writing:** We are going to begin writing Small Moments. This is an opportunity to write a detailed account of a specific event that happened, rather than writing about an entire day or weekend.

**Social Studies:** We are going to be learning about maps. We will be talking about what a map is, and what it's purpose is. We will learn about the features of a map [compass rose, scale, and legend].



If you have any questions,  
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\*This website is kept up to date with important dates for school wide activities.

\*Also, check out the links provided for different learning activities for your kids to do at home (including a link for Raz-Kids).