



# SUPER SECOND GRADE



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## Second Grade Monthly Times

### Classroom Learning...

It is with great excitement that we welcome you to the third quarter. For the next few weeks, our super second graders will be introduced to some very exciting and meaningful learning. They will take a journey into the past and meet Abraham Lincoln, Susan B. Anthony, George Washington, Helen Keller, Jackie Robinson and revisit Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. They will learn about their childhood, family life, challenges and contributions. They will be able to compare themselves to each of these important Americans and possibly find connections to their own lives. Finally they will develop an understanding for why these Americans are famous. Be sure to share with your child all you know about any of the famous Americans we will be studying.

This month in math students venture into the world of measurement. They will use tools such as rulers, scales and graduated cylinders to measure the length, width, volume and mass of matter. They will learn about the metric and customary systems of measurement and practice applying both interchangeably. Measurement is an exciting unit not only because it is a hands-on concept, but because it ties in nicely with other concepts previously learned in other subjects.

It thrills us to inform you that our new and final science unit for the year, *Milkweed, Monarchs & Mexico*, will be launched half way through the month. This rich unit will take our little scientists on a trip of wonder and discovery from Mexico, through the United States and Canada as they follow the journey of monarch butterflies. Through the eyes of a butterfly they will explore different habitats; their flora and fauna as they also apply reading, writing, math and mapping skills to learn about plant and animal adaptation.

This month, in reading, students will continue enhancing their decoding and comprehension skills through the study of elements of literature.

Our super readers will read fairy tales and analyze characters, plot, setting, problem and solution to infer about important events in stories.

During writing workshop, our young writers will apply knowledge of story elements to create stories with strong beginnings, problems, solutions and endings. They will also engage in more content writing across the curriculum.

### Key Vocabulary

freedom	president	establish
right to vote	equal rights	disabilities
fair treatment	opportunity	African American
peaceful marches	Abraham Lincoln	Helen Keller
Jackie Robinson	Susan B. Anthony	MLK



### Upcoming Events

<b>February</b>	<b>02</b>	<b>Groundhog's Day</b>
<b>February</b>	<b>03</b>	<b>PTA Family Fun Bingo Night</b>
<b>February</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>Beginning Band/ Recorder Masters Concert</b>
<b>February</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Presidents' Day</b>

Mrs. Almeida, Mrs. Bush, Mrs. DeSatnick, Mrs. Gardner, Ms. Luther and Mrs. Purcell