

Dickerson Elementary School Chester NJ Second Grade November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020

# Mrs. Westberg's Classroom News!

### Class News!

It was an absolute pleasure to meet with each of you during our parent teacher conference. Please continue to reach out with any questions or concerns. I am so proud of our class and all their hard work this year. Please note that we begin our full day (9:00-3:30) on Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. On Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, all students will be in every day. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone together. If you need anything, I can be reached at

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#### UPCOMING EVENTS

November 16<sup>th</sup>-Full Day HYBRID A/B 9-3:30 November 23<sup>rd</sup>-Full Day, Everyday

#### Science and Social Studies

This week, we continued our SEL program. We learned about predicting other's feelings. We talked about how sometimes things happen by accident (bumping into a classmate, spilling a drink, etc.) and we should always check with someone to see before we assume they did something on purpose. We also started our new social studies unit, Becoming America. On Wednesday, we learned about Veteran's Day. We wrote letters of thanks to honor veterans.

## Language Arts

This week, our spelling list focused on the two sounds for g: hard g (g) and soft g (j). Please remember to study the challenge words, even though they are not part of your spelling score. Next week, our spelling list will focus on I, r and s blends. In writing, we published our first personal narrative and some students began working on publishing their second personal narrative. Our next writing unit will focus on responding to reading. We will learn about RACE (restate, answer, cite and explain). In reading, we learned about summarizing and I continued to meet with reading groups. I introduced Reading Response Journals with each reading group. We will use these journals during our reading groups to jot down our thinking and respond to the stories we read.

#### Math

This week we completed our Topic 4 assessment. Students did a great job with adding two-digit numbers, with and without regrouping. Our next topic will introduce a variety of strategies to add two-digit numbers. We will learn about the hundreds chart, open number line and compensation. Please continue to practice fast facts at home!

