

# Welcome to Curriculum Night!!!

## Agenda

- Talk about 2<sup>nd</sup> grade program and schedules, *not individual students*.

# Meet your teacher for the first time.....

- Ali Aceto
- Went to Kyrene Schools growing up
- Attended ASU
- Graduated with a B.A. in Early Childhood Education
- Love to be creative and active!

# Daily Schedule

7:45-7:55: Unpack/Attendance

7:55-8:40: Special

8:40-9:15: **Writing**

9:15-9:30: Snack/Recess

9:30-11:25: Reading Block

11:25-12:05: Recess/Lunch

12:05-1:45: Math

1:45-2:25-Science/Social Studies

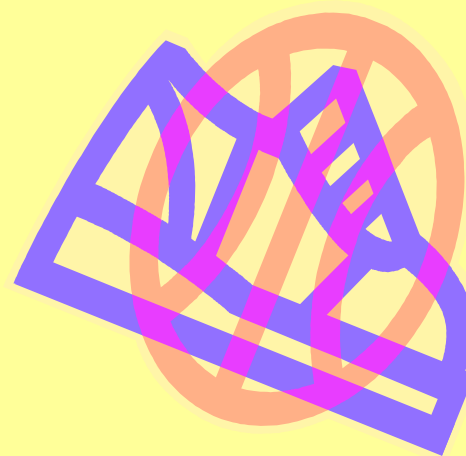


# Special Schedule

- Monday- Art
- Tuesday-Music
- Wed.- Library
- Thursday-Computer Lab
- Friday- PE

\*Tennis shoes must be worn on PE days in order to participate!

\*Library books due back every Wednesday to check out new books.



# Reading

## Reading

- Harcourt Trophies curriculum
- Broken into: Whole group, small group (IFG), Reading Rotations

## Big Five

- Phonics
- Phonemic Awareness
- Fluency
- Comprehension
- Vocabulary

# Check out Thinking Maps from Sarah

- Thinking maps will be done daily in the classroom.
- Please take a look at the thinking maps packet to become familiar with what your child will be doing in class.

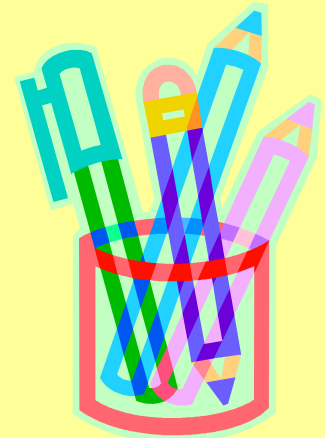
# Writing

## 6-Traits

- Conventions
- Ideas
- Organization
- Word Choice
- Voice
- Sentence Fluency

## Genres

- Friendly Letter
- Personal Narrative
- Imaginative Story
- Report
- Poetry



# Math

## Investigations 2 Series

- We will continue to use the Investigations Series.
- Less paper, more hands learning with math tools.
- Allows children to find different ways to solve problems and develop flexibility in their thinking.



# Science

## Weather

- Measure and record weather conditions
- Clouds
- Water cycle

## Matter

- Solid, liquid, gas

## Digestive system

## Life Cycle

- Insects
- Mammals

## Research Scientists

## Record data

# Social Studies

## *American History*

### Early Civilization

- Native Americans

### Revolution/New Nation

- Revolutionary War
- Bill of Rights

### Westward Expansion

- Immigration to the United States.
- Transportation and communication

### Contemporary United States

- Current Native American tribes in the United States

## *Civics/Government*

### Foundations of Government

- National symbols, documents, songs, and monuments that represent America and
- U.S. Constitution
- National holidays

### Structure of Government

- Three branches of national government

### Rights, Responsibilities, and Roles of Citizenship

- Responsible citizenship
- Community
- Traits of Character

# Social Studies

## Geography

### The World In Spatial Terms

- Different types of maps and their characterizes

### Places and Regions

### Human Systems

- Housing and land use in urban and rural communities.
- Economic activities and land use (natural resources, agricultural, industrial, residential, commercial, recreational)
- Elements of culture (food, clothing)

### Environment and Society

- Humans depend upon, adapt to, and impact the earth.

## World History

### Early Civilizations

- Developed in China, India, and Japan

### Encounters and Exchange

- Marco Polo's travels to Asia led to the exchange of new goods

### Age of Revolution

- people in different places challenged their form of government, which resulted in conflict and change.

## Economics

### Foundations of Economics

- Natural resources, human resources and capital resources
- Bartering compared to money in the exchange for goods and services

### Personal Finance

- Benefits of personal savings.

# Kyrene Curriculum

You may look at the curriculum on our district webpage

- [www.kyrene.org](http://www.kyrene.org)
- Departments
- Curriculum and Learning Services
- On the Left, hit Curriculum

# Spelling

- Spelling tests are given on Fridays.
- The words coordinate with our focus spelling for the week, review words and high frequency words.
- Check out the spelling menu to practice words in a fun way!
- We will be doing spelling practice almost everyday in class.

# Homework

## Homework Packet:

- Spelling
- Writing Prompt
- Math problems

## Nightly Reading

- A part of the newsletter will include the Weekly Reading Log.
- Reading needs to be done once on the weekend and Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for 15 or more minutes.
- Please write down the book/s read each time your child reads and the amount of time spent reading.

**Your child is responsible for their homework!**

# Visitors

You must have a visitors pass to be on the playground in the morning. Get a permanent pass if you plan to be here regularly.

You must sign in at the front office to come into the classroom during the day.

## Lunch Visit:

- Do not share food with others- this eliminates risk of food allergies and hurt feelings.
- Do not sit at the table designated for children with allergies
- Do not invite other kids to leave their lunch area to eat with you.

# Classroom Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering in the classroom, please fill out the day you are available.

I will be creating a calendar soon with dates to come in. Volunteering will start after Labor Day.

- If you are interested in coming into the classroom to help with children, the time will be from 10:30-11:25 on M, T, Th, F. If you are interested in work room jobs, the times will be flexible.



# Snack

- Snack is optional and provided by the parent.
- Snack is eaten during afternoon recess.
- It is just a snack. Please don't send too much!
- Snack should be a healthy treat. No sugar snacks or drinks should be brought to school. Refer to the healthy snack list approved by the state of Arizona on my website (handout also).

# Snack Ideas Approved by the State of Arizona

- Pretzels
- Cheese Nips/Cheez-its (Cheez-it brand)
- Regular Goldfish Crackers
- Wheat Thins
- Graham Crackers
- Cheerios
- Flavored rice cakes
- Animal Crackers
- Plain Ritz Crackers
- Nilla Wafers
- Fig Newtons
- Fruit Roll-ups
- Teddy Grahams

# Birthday Procedures

It is a district rule that treats are not to be sent with children on their Birthday.

- Invitations may not be handed out on school property.

# Important Facts

- Try to send lunch money only once a week or visit <http://www.kyrene.org/ksdportal/>
- If you have a change in transportation or phone numbers please email me at [aaceto@kyrene.org](mailto:aaceto@kyrene.org)

Thank you for  
coming tonight!

Here's to a great year  
in 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade!!

