

#### **GRADE 2**

J.L. Mitchener Public School

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# Mrs. Ricker's Classroom Newsletter

## **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

## **Curriculum**

#### <u>Language</u>

In reading this month, students will be "making connections" with Robert Munsch. They will listen, and respond in writing, to a variety of stories written by Robert Munsch. They will also practice the "making connections" comprehension strategy during their independent reading. Students will be learning the difference between fact and opinion and learn to write an opinion paragraph. Students will also be learning about different kinds of media texts and how they influence our opinions and choices. Word study lessons will focus on present, past, and future tense; question words; adjectives; and spelling patterns with double consonants.

## **Mathematics**

In math, students will be naming and classifying polygons according to their geometric properties. They will also be considering relationships between 2-D shapes.

#### Science

Grade 2 students will be finishing up Unit 1 – <u>Properties of Solids and Liquids</u> and then moving on to Unit 2 - <u>Air and Water in our Environment</u>.

#### **Arts**

In <u>Drama</u> students will take part in reader's theatre with a focus on emotion conveyed through voice.

<u>Visual Arts</u> projects will connect to our learning in science.

<u>Music/Dance</u> instruction is provided by Mrs. Cowley.

#### **Reminders**

- Students need headphones/earbuds for use in the computer lab and when using the tablets in the classroom. Some need replacing.
- Please be sure that your child has a pair of clean running shoes that fit properly for use in the classroom and the gym.
- Time to replenish school supplies! Students need glue sticks, pencils, markers, and pencil crayons.

