

Second Grade

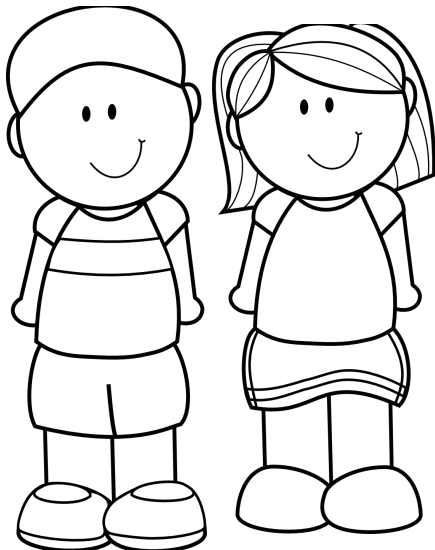
December NEWS

Wish List

- ★ Lysol and baby wipes
- ★ Hand Sanitizer— Large Size
- ★ Healthy, shelf stable, nut-free snacks
 - We had many generous donations last month, thank you!

Important Updates

- Tuesday, December 18th— 2nd Grade trip to Decker Library!
- I need your help! How has homework been so far this year? Answer these four questions to help us better understand how homework works for your family. Thank you!
 - a. Survey link: <https://tinurl.com/mckinleyhomework>
- Kindergarten, first, & second grade families — our **Fall Showcase** is **Thursday, December 6** from **6:00pm to 7:30pm!** Stay tuned for more details.
- Mark your calendars for **winter break: Saturday, December 22 to Sunday, January 6.** Classes resume on Monday, January 7!



Happy December!

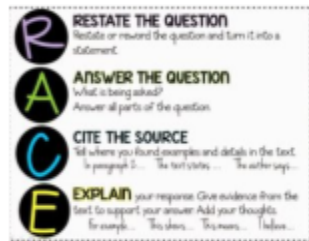
I can't believe 2018 is already in its last month! November saw our first field trip to Corduroy, lots of practice with breathing, mindfulness and being grateful! I know the remainder of this year will be great!

Literacy

Our study of paleontology and fossils continues through the guiding questions: **How are fossils formed?**, and **What can we learn by studying a fossil?** We have continued to close read texts, this time non-fiction with a focus on text features!

Writing, Social Studies, Science

We just introduced the R.A.C.E. strategy to help students answer questions in a complete sentence, with evidence and explanation!



Math

In math, we continue to work on writing an equation for problems (when not given) and showing our work with a model! This past week we worked with bar graphs, analyzing data, and comparing this data with equations. We can also use the R.A.C.E. strategy to expand our thinking in math!