

February

This month brings many new beginnings as we move into Term 2.

Reading: The students have been working on the comprehension strategies of making inferences and visualization. During shared reading and read alouds, the students have used clues in the text as well as their background knowledge to guess what the author means. We have also read stories without seeing the pictures so they are able to form a mental picture of what is happening in the book using clues given throughout.

Writing: We have finished persuasive writing in which the students had to think of convincing reasons with supporting details when forming an opinion on a given topic. We will now begin exploring narrative writing in which the students will write stories with a character that has a problem that needs to be solved. I look forward to reading the stories that will be written in the next few weeks!

Math: The students have been learning mental strategies for adding numbers to 18. We are now learning how to add 2-digit numbers with and without regrouping. From there, we will move into subtraction with one and 2-digit numbers.

Homework: Reading homework will continue to be sent home Mondays and is due back each Friday. Please have your child read and retell the books they bring home and complete a response for one of the books. Your cooperation with this routine is very much appreciated!

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