

# Second Grade's April Newsletter



## Flash Back to March

Realistic Fiction  
Writing



## Important Dates

April 11<sup>th</sup> - Class 222 to  
Van Cortlandt House  
Museum

April 12<sup>th</sup> - Class 219 To  
Van Cortlandt House  
Museum

April 19<sup>th</sup>: Class 220 To  
The Van Cortlandt House  
Museum

April 25<sup>th</sup>: All second  
Grade to Museum of  
Natural History

## Homework:

Please check your child's homework folder and/or notebook for new words, math worksheets, important letters and trip permission slips. **Please remember to read with your child for at least 20 minutes a night and fill in your reading log!**

Please remember your teacher is available to meet by appointment on Tuesday afternoons from 2:40pm-3:10pm for any questions and concerns.

## We Are Learning About...

Reading: In reading the students are learning all about how to make their reading sound more fluent or smooth.

Writing: Students are working on creating their own poetry!

Math: Students are working on using subtraction of two and three digit numbers. (Chapter 5)

Social Studies: Students learn how and why people have rights, rules and responsibilities.

Science: Students are learning about forces and motion.

# School-Home Letter

## Dear Family,

My class started Chapter 5 this week. In this chapter, I will learn how to solve 2-digit subtraction problems using different strategies.

Love, \_\_\_\_\_

### Vocabulary

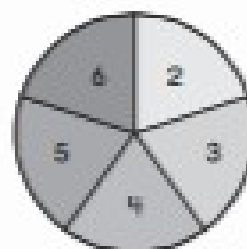
**minus sign** a symbol used in a subtraction problem

**difference** the answer to a subtraction problem

$$\begin{array}{r} 7 - 4 = 3 \\ \quad \uparrow \\ \text{difference} \end{array}$$

### Home Activity

Write 2-digit numbers, such as 56, 67, and 89, each on a separate index card. Use a pencil and a paper clip to make a pointer for the spinner. Have your child choose a card, spin the pointer, and subtract the number on the spinner from the number on the card.



### Literature

Look for these books at the library. Read them with your child to reinforce learning.

**The Action of Subtraction**  
by Brian P. Cleary  
Millbrook Press, 2006

**The Shark Swinathan**  
by Stuart J. Murphy  
HarperCollins, 2001

# Carta para la casa

## Querida familia:

Mi clase comenzó el Capítulo 5 esta semana. En este capítulo, aprenderé a resolver problemas de resta de números de 2 dígitos usando estrategias diferentes.

Con cariño, \_\_\_\_\_

### Vocabulario

**signo de menos** símbolo que se usa en un problema de resta

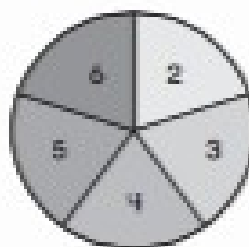
**diferencia** la respuesta a un problema de resta

$$7 - 4 = 3$$

↑  
diferencia

### Actividad para la casa

Escriba números de 2 dígitos, como 56, 67 y 89, cada uno en una tarjeta. Con un lápiz y un clip, haga una flecha giratoria para la rueda. Pida a su hijo que elija una tarjeta, gire la flecha, y reste el número en que se detenga en la rueda del número de la tarjeta.



### Literatura

Busque estos libros en la biblioteca. Léales con su hijo para reforzar el aprendizaje.

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