# MS. LONG'S CLASSROOM NEWS

Our school's theme is "Together We Can Change the World by being..."
This month, we end with "being CARING." you to continue this at home with your children, asking "Where do you hear/see joyful noises being made at school, at home, & in your life?"



### NOTES

Welcome to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade! I'm looking forward to working with you to make this a great year together! Just a couple of reminders:

- \* Please check your child's homework folder every night, & help ensure these folders come back to school every day
- \* Picture Day is tomorrow please send your child in their uniform
- \* You'll see your child's 1st Super Kids Spelling homework packet come home today, as well as 2 Super Kids letters to read through. Homework packets are due Friday, the day of their test
- \* Please remember to send your child in with a pair of gym shoes for P.E.
- \* Check our class' website (off St. Luke's website) for info like our class schedule, helpful links, spelling words, photos, etc.
- \* Monthly reading logs came home today. I'm asking your child to read 10 min. a night & color an apple for each night. Keep these logs in a safe place; they're due Oct. 1st
- \* We're starting Math & Reading groups this week, so students will have daily instruction from myself or Mrs. Hansch. Data was collected, & groups created, to meet your child's needs. They are flexible, so your child's placement might change throughout the year



### WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

Math: We're starting My Math Chp. 1: Applying Addition & Subtraction Concepts, lessons 1 – 3 (Addition & Subtraction properties). Expect to see daily homework coming home, starting Wed.

Language Arts/Reading: We're starting <u>Super Kids</u>, Unit 1 Week 1, focusing on skills like reading & spelling words with short vowel sounds, -sh, and -ch patterns, & identifying nouns & pronouns

Writing: This year, 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will learn how to write a full paragraph using appropriate punctuation, capitalization, & structure. In Unit 1, we'll practice writing an autobiography Religion: Chp. 1: "God's Creation" & Creation story IB: We're starting our 1<sup>st</sup> unit, exploring how "Plants and animals work interdependently to create healthy ecosystems." This week, students will learn how seeds must get away from their parent plant in order to survive



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- School pictures Tues., 9/11
- Mass of the Holy Spirit Thurs. 9/13 @ 9:30 a.m.
- Parent Sacraments meeting Sun., 9/16 @ 1 p.m. in the Church
- Back to School Curriculum Night Wed. 9/19, 6:30 8:30 p.m.
- MAP testing (2<sup>nd</sup> grade) starts 9/17 (exact dates tbd)
- St. Luke-a-thon Wed. 9/26

#### HOMEWORK & TESTS

- Language Arts: Super Kids unit 1 week 1 Spelling test, Fri. 9/14
  - Unit 1 week 1 Spelling packet, due Fri. 9/14
- Reading: September's reading log, due Mon. 10/01