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Upcoming Dates:

12/7 Early Release, International Night 7 p.m.
12/14 College Day
12/14-20 Winter Wonderland
12/21 Interims Distributed
12/23-1/2 Winter Break

Updates/Reminders

-Snack donations (such as animal crackers, pretzels, or Goldfish) are very much appreciated! Thank you to those who have already donated!
-If your child will be leaving school a different way than his/her normal mode of transportation, please let the school know before 3:15 p.m. Changes cannot occur beyond this window.

English Language Arts

In reading this month...

We will learn how living things grow and change. For example, we will read informational texts about the life cycle of a frog, as well as that of an oak tree. We will also explore fiction, fables, and poetry featuring living things that grow and change..

[Unit 3 Family Letter](#)

Math

In math this month...

We will begin to work on Module 2. Module 2 serves as a bridge from problem solving within 10 to work within 100 as students begin to solve addition and subtraction problems involving teen numbers.

In Topic A, to introduce students to the make ten strategy, students will solve problems with three addends and realize that it is sometimes possible to use

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the associative and commutative properties to compose ten. For example, “Maria made 1 snowball. Tony made 5. Their father made 9. How many snowballs did they make in all?” Since we can add in any order, we can pair the 1 with the 9 to make a ten first, and then add the 5.

To introduce students to the take from ten strategy, Topic B opens with questions such as, “Mary has two plates of cookies, one with 10 and one with 2. At the party, 9 cookies were eaten from the plate with 10 cookies. How many cookies were left after the party?” $10 - 9 = 1$ and $1 + 2 = 3$. Students then reinterpret the story to see its solution can also be written as $12 - 9$. Click the link below to learn more about what we are learning in class, as well as some tips for how to help at home.

[Eureka Math Tips for Module 2](#)

Science and Social Studies

In science this month...

We will explore how light and sound are used to send messages, both by humans and by animals.

In social studies this month...

We will explore the different family and community customs and traditions. Following this, students will learn about the differences between the past and the present

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