

# P.S. "The School in the Gardens" 101Q

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## Grade 2 Newsletter May/June 2017

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### March Units

ELA/ Writing:  
Independent Writing  
Projects  
Reading: Series Books /  
Fairytales, Folktales,  
and Fables  
Math: Data  
Science: STEAM  
S.S.: Manhattan

### May Key Dates

5/17 - Spring  
Celebration & Fall  
Preparation Night at  
4:30pm  
5/17 - No after  
school  
5/19- PALP  
5/29 - School Closed  
for Memorial Day  
6/8 No School for  
Students  
6/12 No School for  
students  
6/26 School Closed  
for Eid al-Fitr  
6/28 Last Day of  
School

### Reading Workshop

During this unit, readers will be stepping into the magical world of fairytales, folktales, fables, and fantasy. As we work through this unit, readers will develop a deeper understanding as they read more closely and put themselves into the roles of the characters. Students will reenact parts of their stories, putting themselves into their characters' shoes. During this unit, students will also see that often in fairy talks, folktales, fables, and fantasy, the worlds the characters, live in are significantly different from the world we live in. Students will be taught to make pictures in their mind of that world - what it looks like, what it feels like in that world, how is it the same and how is it different?

### Writing Workshop

This year has been super productive and exciting for our second graders. To celebrate all of their accomplishments, students will be working on independent writing projects. Students will be given creative liberty as to what type of writing they would like

### Math Madness

Chapter 10 - Throughout the past year, your children have been taught many different math strategies. As they have moved through the year, these strategies have led them to collecting data. During this unit, students will be learning all about how to properly collect and display data. Students will be exposed to several variations of ways data can be displayed including: tally marks, picture graphs, and bar graphs.

### Assessment - May 16th

### Social Studies

"New York, concrete jungle where dreams are made of!" This unit we are spending time learning all about the greatest city in the world, New York. More specifically Manhattan! We will travel from the Battery to Harlem, learning all the neat pieces of history that make up this amazing borough.

### Science - Join us May 17th

Our upcoming science menu will work hand in hand with the preparation for our STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, mathematics) fair. Students in second grade will use their knowledge in engineering to formulate, develop, and build a bridge using minimal supplies. Students will have the opportunity to present their design in front of one another.