



2nd Grade Family Newsletter

Mission: Elk Meadows Falcons are growing to be resilient, lifelong learners.

Golden Gate: I will be in charge of my own happiness.

Date: January 9, 2023

Upcoming Grade-Level Events

- **No School** Martin Luther King Jr. Day Jan. 16
- **No School** Grade Transmittal Jan. 17

Math

Focus: I can subtract using a picture or expanded form.

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3
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Home Connection: Ask your child which strategy they like the best and have them explain to you how it works.

Language Arts

Focus: I can identify other vowel phonemes in syllables (/ōō/ as in ooze, /oi/, /ou/, /ōō/ as in book, /aw/).

Examples:

ooze, true, zoo
 toy, void, coin
 ouch, plow, cow
 book, wood, should, foot

Some vowel sounds are not categorized as long, short or r-controlled. These vowel sounds are called "other" vowels.

Other Vowels

I know the phoneme...

/ōō/	is the first phoneme in ooze .	
/oi/	is the first phoneme in oink .	
/ou/	is the first phoneme in ouch .	
/ōō/	is the middle phoneme in book .	
/aw/	is the first phoneme in awesome .	

Science

Focus: This year the students will be rotating through 3 different units in science. They will be learning about Solids & Liquids, Sand, Pebbles & Silt, Insects & Plants.

Snow: Insects & Plants

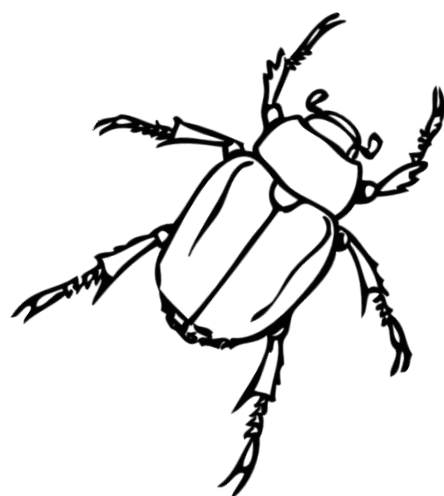
Insects and plants have life cycles.

Olsen: Solids & Liquids-

Matter is everywhere.

Davis: Sand, Pebbles, & Silt

Rocks are formed by weathering.



Social Studies

Focus: In social studies the students will rotate through 4 standards. Culture, Citizenship, Geography and Financial Literacy.

Hill: Being good citizens in our communities.



Family Connection/Additional Information

- Remember to **read 20 minutes each night** and record and initial in the take home folders.