



First Grade January 2019 Newsletter

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Literary and

Informational Texts

This month we are continuing to focus on...

- Retelling stories, including key details, characters, setting, problem, and solution
- Identify words and phrases that suggest feelings
- Connect the key details to determine the main topic of a text.
- Ask and answer questions about key details in a text
- Know and use various text features

Social Studies-Science

We are finishing up our social studies unit: Celebrating our Family Culture with discussions of food, clothes, and shelter.

We will then move into finishing our science unit on Space and talk more about patterns that we can see in nature.

Writing

We are continuing to focus on informative writing. This unit takes children on a writing journey that builds in complexity. The unit began with instruction on how to write a basic type of information book, a picture book, and ends with children creating multiple informational chapter books. Students are learning strategies on how to plan their writing, use catchy introductions to get the readers' attention, add details, and how to draw their readers in so they will want to read more.

Math

We are continuing to study addition and subtraction relationships which include the following objectives...

- Solve addition and subtraction problem situations using the strategy *make a model*.
- Record related facts within 20.

- Identify related addition and subtraction facts within 20.
- Apply inverse relationship of addition and subtraction.
- Use related facts to determine unknown numbers.
- Use a related fact to subtract.
- Choose an operation and strategy to solve an addition or subtraction word problem.
- Represent equivalent forms of numbers using sums and differences within 20.
- Determine if an equation is true or false.

Donations Needed:

- Socks for dry erase boards
- 3x5 index cards
- Washable markers
- Drawing paper
- Scotch tape

Dates to remember

- Jan. 9/10: Vision and Hearing Screenings
- Jan. 17: Math Night 6-7pm
- Jan. 21: No School
- Jan. 28: No School

Attention Parents

Brrrr it's cold outside! Please send your child to school with appropriate clothing for outside recess.

Also, please help your child learn to tie shoes and zip coats, we have many students who still can not. It becomes very time consuming to tie shoes and zip coats for several students.

Thank you!