

## First Grade Monthly Newsletter Nov. 2023

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### Important Dates:

- **November 2:** J and P Fundraiser Night
- **November 3:** Panda Pride Assembly & Surprise Assembly
- **November 5:** Daylight Savings Time
- **November 13:** Picture Make-Up Day
- **November 14:** Eric Energy Show (1:30)
- **November 17:** Toys for Tots Bingo (evening)
- **November 22-24:** Schools are Closed

### Reminders:

- Please remember to send all attendance-related correspondence to your child's classroom teacher **AND** [tres.attendance@fcps.org](mailto:tres.attendance@fcps.org)
- Don't forget to complete volunteer training if you wish to volunteer, help with parties, or chaperone field trips. This is required annually. [registration and training](#)
- If you have not already done so, please review the [TRES parent handbook](#).
- Please remember to label all jackets, hats, gloves with your child's name.

## Curricular Information

### English Language Arts (ELA)

#### Open Court Unit 3 Home Connection Sheets:

- [Lesson 1](#)
- [Lesson 2](#)
- [Lesson 3](#)

Here are the skills we are working on in November:

Writing	Foundational Skills	Reading Comprehension
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Handwriting lowercase letters</li><li>• Writing descriptions</li><li>• Revising when writing.</li><li>• Nouns and adjectives</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Segmenting, blending, and substituting final consonant sounds.</li><li>• Blend, spell, and read words that contain target letters.</li><li>• Fluency practice with decodable books</li></ul>	Theme: Science Cycles <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Making connections to reading</li><li>• Asking and answering questions about a text</li><li>• Analyze story elements: characters &amp; setting.</li><li>• Sequence events in a story</li></ul>

### Math

Our math units in November expand on concepts learned so far in first grade. We revisit place value, and solving problems with addition and subtraction. Below is a list of skills we will practice this month along with a clickable link for information on how you can support your child with these skills at home.

#### [Unit 4 Home Connection Newsletter](#)

- Counting to 120
- Comparing numbers
- Place Value Concepts: tens and ones, ten more, ten less

#### [Unit 5 Home Connection Newsletter](#)

- Use strategies (making 10) with sums and differences to demonstrate fluency within 10.
- Solve word problems that call for addition of three whole numbers whose sum is less than or equal to 20.
- Use the associative and commutative property to solve addition word problems
- Story Problems

## **Social Studies**

We will begin our **Geography** unit.

In this unit students will learn to identify continents and oceans. They will learn about maps and parts of a map. Students will learn the difference between human made and physical features. We will then spend time learning about each continent.

## **PATHS**

Our social/emotional learning concepts for November include:

- Solving problems: “Big Elephant” or “Small Mouse” problems.
- How to be a good friend to others.
- Types of feelings