



Weekly News from First Grade

3-12-18 to 3-16-18



Math	<p>Calendar Routines (Counting the number of days in school, number words, word story problems, using a calendar)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Practice counting to 120 starting at any number *Understand that the two digits of a two-digit number represent amounts of tens and ones. *10 can be thought of as a bundle of ten ones (called a "ten") *The numbers 10 - 90 refer to one - nine tens *Add within 100 using concrete models or drawings based on place value, properties of operations, and/or the relationship between +/- *Subtract multiples of 10 in the range of 10-90, using concrete models or drawings based on place value, properties of operations, and/or the relationship between +/-; explain the reasoning used *Add within 100 using concrete models or drawings based on place value, properties of operations, and/or the relationship between +/- *End of unit assessment
Reading Focus	<p>Reading Strategy: Comprehension Strategy Focus - Questioning</p> <p>Some ideas include asking and answering questions. Developing and answering questions before, during, and after reading.</p> <p>Students will learn about inspiring individuals and apply these qualities in their own lives.</p>
Word Study	<p>Difference between short and long vowel sounds. Upper and lowercase letters Discuss letters, words, sentences Long o patterns (oa, ow)</p>
Word Wall Words	<p>would, won't, been, which, these, didn't</p>
Writing Focus	<p>Simple declarative (telling) sentences Interrogative (asking) sentences Beginning capital letter Ending punctuation mark Spaces between words "I" by itself is always capitalized Complete sentences Informative writing Paragraph structure- Topic sentence, details, conclusion</p>

Just a quick reminder, our school day begins at 9:05. Please have your children here before that time so that they can be ready for the day!

*Please remember to send a nutritious, non-messy snack with your child everyday! Due to life threatening allergies, it is essential that NO PRODUCTS CONTAIN TREE NUTS OR PEANUTS DURING SNACK TIME!!!!

McCarty School "Cool Tool" of this past Week (3-5-18) was: Bathroom Etiquette. Next week's "Cool Tool" will continue to focus on bathroom etiquette.

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Writing Note - The First Grade Team has decided to put extra emphasis on writing at this time of the year. We are finding that students are not using proper capitalization, spacing between words, or punctuation. This makes it very difficult to reach our target of writing a 5 sentence paragraph. While we may be doing more writing in class, we are hoping to have your assistance with writing at home as well. Some nights we will be sending home writing practice in lieu of math homework. Please focus on:

- proper letter formation
- correct spelling of word wall words
- capitalization
- finger spaces between words
- punctuation

Also note that the students should be able to write 4 sequential sentences at this time of year. We are now transitioning into full paragraphs, with a topic sentence, details, and conclusion. Your support at home is greatly appreciated!!

Special Events/Information:

Monday, March 12: First Grade Family Night: "Brilliant Biographies" (6:30-7:00 PM)