



Weekly News from First Grade

12-12-16 to 12-16-16



Math	<p>Calendar Routines (Counting the number of days in school, number words, word story problems, using a calendar) Practice counting to 120 *Use +/- within 20 to solve word problems *Fluency for +/- within 10 *Use strategies such as counting on, making 10, decomposing a number leading to a 10, using the relationship between +/-, and creating equivalent but easier or known sums. *Use the = sign accurately within +/- equations *Determine the unknown number in an +/- equation *Understand that the 2 digits of a 2-digit number represent amounts of tens and ones *Given a 2-digit number, mentally find 10 more and 10 less without having to count; explain the reasoning used</p>
Reading Focus	<p>Reading Strategy: Comprehension Strategy Focus - Making Connections Good readers make connections when they are reading to help them better understand the story.</p> <p>Reading Strategy: Comprehension Strategy Focus - Inferring Good readers infer when they are reading to help create meaning that is not stated explicitly in the text.</p> <p>Compare and Contrast: Using key details and illustrations, students can compare and contrast characters and adventures in stories and their own adventures.</p>
Word Study	<p>Difference between short and long vowel sounds. Upper and lowercase letters Discuss letters, words, sentences <u>Digraphs:</u> sh, th, ch, wh <u>"R & T Blends":</u> gr, tr, dr, cr, sp, st</p>
Word Wall Words	<p>many, has, them, time, want, part</p>
Writing Focus	<p>Interrogative Sentences (questions) Commas in a list Beginning capital letter Ending punctuation mark Spaces between words "I" by itself is always capitalized Complete sentences Personal Narrative (beginning, middle, end)</p>

Just a quick reminder, our school day begins at 9:05 (9:15 on Wed.). 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 this time.**

During the winter, we will go outside for recess if the wind chill index is at five (5) degrees or above. The wind chill report will be obtained from the National Weather Service. Students are expected to dress appropriately for recess with hats, gloves, boots and winter coats. Snow pants and boots are also required to play in the snow. All students participate in recess unless a doctor's note is provided to school. Bad weather and black top conditions dictate the frequency of indoor recesses.

McCarty School "Cool Tool" of this past Week (12-5-16): **Personal Space**
Next week's Cool Tool is Dress for the Weather and Playground

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Important Dates:

McCarty Winter Spirit Days:

Wed., Dec. 14 - PJ Day

Thurs., Dec. 15 - Sports Day

Fri., Dec. 16 - McCarty Day

Mon., Dec. 19 - Crazy Hair/Hat Day

Tues., Dec. 20 - Tie Tuesday

Wed., Dec. 21 - Camo/Neon Day

Thurs., Dec. 22 - Holiday Wear Day (Dress Up, Ugly Sweaters, etc.)