

# First Grade Newsletter

## February 2023

### Friendly Reminders

- Please look carefully through your child's binder that will be sent home each day.
- Please read with or have your child read for 20 minutes each night.
- Your child's teacher will be sending home more information about Valentine's Day Exchange.

### Dates to Remember

February 3<sup>rd</sup>- Dad's League  
 February 9<sup>th</sup> - Progress Report sent home  
 February 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> - Book Fair  
 February 15<sup>th</sup> - Spring Pictures  
 February 16<sup>th</sup> - Black History Program  
 February 27<sup>th</sup>-March 3<sup>rd</sup>- Read Across America

### Teacher Talk

Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe that January went by so quickly! Please remember that we are expecting a little more now that we have entered the second semester. We are encouraging the children to be a little more independent and encouraging them to start applying what they are learning. Please continue to check your child's binder daily and return homework when assigned. As always, thank you for your continued support at home. If you have questions, please contact your child's teacher.

Thanks,  
 First Grade Teachers

### Reading:

#### Phonics Skills:

Week 1: Long e: e, ee, ea, ie  
 Week 2: Long i: i, y, igh  
 Week 3: r controlled vowel /ar/  
 Week 4: r controlled vowel /or/

#### Comprehension Skills:

Week 1: Compare and Contrast, use illustrations to describe characters and settings  
 Week 2: Describe characters and settings, use illustrations to clarify word meanings  
 Week 3: Central idea, use text features to locate information, connections between words and their uses  
 Week 4: use illustrations to describe events, use affixes, explain differences between stories and informational text

We will continue to work on sight words in addition to the skills listed above. While reading from the basal reader we will also be reading decodable books.

#### Language Arts:

- Adjectives
- Adjectives that compare
- Conjunctions

### Math:

- Place Value
- Using a two digit number find 10 more or 10 less without counting
- Add tens and ones
- Compare two digit numbers with <, >, and =
- Adding within 100

### Social Sciences:

- Habitats and Adaptations of Animals
- Famous African Americans
- Presidents

Wish List: (Always appreciated, never expected!)  
 Clorox Wipes  
 Treasure Box treats  
 Hand Sanitizer

