



Our 1st Grade Classroom News

The Week of October 2, 2017

Literacy

Each week students have an "I Can" statement which guides instruction. Teachers refer to these statements as guiding points in lessons to support comprehension of the text being read. Here are the I Can Statements for this week:

- I can retell stories using key details.
- I can describe the characters, setting and major events in a story using key details.
- I can compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in stories.

To support comprehension we ask questions such as:

- Who were the main characters?
- Where did the story take place?
- What was the lesson in the story?
- What happened in the beginning, middle, and end?

Math

This week, we continued Chapter 3, Addition Strategies. We learned the strategy of using 1, 2, or 3 to count on to find sums within 20. We also learned the strategy of using doubles to solve addition problems. Please continue to work on both addition and subtraction within 20 at home.

Please check your child's homework sheet for their nightly math homework. Please DO NOT let your child work ahead in their math journal. Please only work on the pages assigned to them. Please also remember to return the math journal to school every morning because we need them to complete daily math lessons.

This Week

This week we set goals with each student in writing, literacy, and math. We are looking forward to sharing this with you at conferences!

Reminders

- Please return your child's party money (\$5.00) to their teacher as soon as possible.
- Please remind your child to return their library books on or before library day.
- Please make sure your child has gym shoes on their P.E. days.



Social Studies

We took our Chapter 2 assessment and started Chapter 3: Why Do Schools Have Rules? In this chapter students will learn about the reasons for having rules. We will talk about the familiar rules at home and at school. We will play a game without rules to discover why rules are needed. We will read about four reasons for school rules and talk about the consequences for not following them. We will also discover that cities also have rules and that city leaders talk and vote to make new rules. Last, we will illustrate one classroom rule and the consequences of breaking it.

Science

This week, we continued to learn about our five senses. The students described different things we can touch, taste, smell, hear, and see. We also wrote a poem using our five senses by describing what we see, hear, taste, smell and touch in fall.

PBIS

We had our first PBIS assembly on Thursday. The September Student of the Month was announced.

Reading Logs

Please have your child write their own book titles on their reading logs. This will help them take ownership of their reading homework.

Dates to Remember

October 5th: ½ Day,
Conferences in p.m.

October 6th: No School,
Conferences in the a.m.

October 9th: No School,
Columbus Day

October 31st: Halloween
party at the end of the day.
If you'd like to help out
please contact me. (No
food)