

First Grade News

Week of:
December
16th

Curriculum Connections



Literacy

In reading we have enjoyed reading stories by Jan Brett and discussing the characters. We are comparing characters in Jan Brett's books to one another.

In writing we have enjoyed writing our own fiction stories. We are reading Jan Brett's stories and studying her letters about how she gets inspired to write her stories. We have been focusing on writing beginnings to several stories and then we will choose one to continue writing. We have been talking about characters and details.

****Next week we will have Hedgehog day on Friday to celebrate what we have learned so far in our Jan Brett unit. We will make hedgehog glyphs and edible hedgehogs. (See below to donate items)**



MATHEMATICS

In math we will continue to work on using our understanding of place value to compare two digit numbers and solve addition and subtraction problems. We will also begin using word problems with 3 numbers (ex: $2+4+6=?$ Or $2+?+5=10$). We will begin assessing students on their understanding of place value.



SCIENCE

We will continue our unit on Earth Materials.



Social Studies

We will explore ways that communities celebrate holidays around the world.



Grade Level Needs

- Dry Erase Markers for students to use on the whiteboards!
- Supplies for Hedgehog day. See information

Information

- Vanilla cupcakes with chocolate icing (store bought) 7 dozen total
- M&Ms (4 bags)
- Small Pretzel sticks (3 bags)

Daily Schedule

 (lunch and recess times vary among first grade teachers)

- 9:15-9:30 - Morning Meeting
- 9:30-11:15 - Reading Workshop
- (11:15-11:30) - (11:45 -12:00)- Outside
- (11:50- 12:05) - (12:20- 12:35)- Lunch
- 12:20-12:30 - Read Aloud
- 12:30-1:40 - Math Workshop
- 1:40-3:00 -Languages and Elective
- 3:04-3:30 - WISE
- 3:30-3:40 - Pack-up/Snack/Closing Meeting

Dates to Remember

- December 23 - January 1st: Vacation/ No school
- January 2nd- first day back!
- January 17th- Early Release
- January 20th- Holiday no school
- January 21st- Teacher workday /no school
- January 28th- Marbles Field Trip