

# First Grade News

Week of:  
May 26<sup>th</sup>

## Curriculum Connections



### Literacy

In reading we are focusing on characters within a text. We are looking at ways characters change throughout a story. We will continue to explore characters with readers theatres and other fiction texts.

In writing we have finished our All About books and will share them with our peers. The students worked very hard on these and will bring them home soon but not before we share them! We will begin our last unit on poetry this week. Students will write their own poems. We will also be reviewing all the different types of writing we have learned this year including small moments and opinion letters.



### Mathematics

In math we have finished our unit on non standard measurement and are beginning our unit on partitioning shapes. Students will learn to partition circles and rectangles into *halves*, *fourths*, and *quarters*, and use the phrases *half of*, *fourth of*, and *quarter of*. Students will describe the whole as two of, or four of the shares. Understand for these examples that decomposing into more equal shares creates smaller shares.



### SCIENCE

We will continue our unit on Balance and Motion. We will begin the section on movement. Students have a project for homework that is due May 30<sup>th</sup>.



### Social Studies

We will be using geographic skills to identify areas in our world focusing on ways people change the environment, use natural resources in their Community, and explaining how the environment impacts where people live.



### Daily Schedule

(\*lunch and recess start and end times vary among first grade teachers)

9:15-9:30 - Morning Meeting  
9:30-11:15 - Reading/Writing 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

### Grade Level Needs

- Black dry erase markers!
- Reams of Computer/copy paper!!!
- Page protectors
- -Glue Sticks

### Dates to Remember

- \*6/6- First Grade End of Year Celebrations in the afternoon (date changed)
- \*6/9- Field Day
- \*6/12 - Last Day of school