

First Grade News

Mrs. Neilander March 5, 2020

We have finished all of our testing for report cards! I am working on completing them to send home in next week's peechee. Because of this and because of our short week, there are no behavior charts in today's peechee.

Thank you for being so great about returning things. It is so nice to send home our class books and know they will be returned promptly.

Author of the Week

Jonathan London

The Big Cheese

Because of the short week, we did not have a Big Cheese this week. We will be picking a new one for next week and someone to take home our class mascot, Ted, for the weekend.

Questions to ask your child:

*Can you tell me some mild spicy words, medium spicy words, and hot spicy words?

- *What is onomatopoeia? (When words sound like the sound they make)
- *What are some examples of onomatopoeia? (Boom! Slurp! Growl!)
- *What are some onomatopoeia words you could add to your story?

mark your calendar

*Family Literacy Night is Tonight-Thursday, March 5th from 5:15-7:00.

*No school tomorrow-March 6th

*Next Wednesday, March 11th is a Late Start Day. School begins at 10:20.

we are learning

Reading

One common question on our reading assessments is to define a word in the text. It is good practice to have your child try to define words without using a form of the word. We play a version of *Password* to practice this skill.

Writing

We have been working hard to finish, spice up, and revise our graphic organizers for our "Just Imagine" writing contest. Next week, we will focus on copying and illustrating each of the five pages in our stories.

math :

As we move into working with larger numbers, we have simplified our way of drawing those large numbers. Your child should be familiar with drawing *Quick Tens* or *Sticks and Stones* from class. A vertical line represents a stick (or group of 10), and small circles represent the stones (ones).

Math questions to ask your child:

*Can you think of a survey question you could ask at home? Ask at least 6 people your question and make a table or graph to show your results.

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