

1st Grade Newsletter #5

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Language Arts

What does the tooth fairy do with my teeth? First graders just started working on a new writing project, since the number of 'vampire' smiles has increased lately! First, we brainstormed, then we will be drafting, and we hope that it will be hanging outside our classroom when we are back! In Grammar, we have been discussing common nouns (person, place or thing). Furthermore, we introduced Proper nouns. We are working on telling the difference between a Common and a Proper Noun. So many new things and terms for our firsties, but they're always ready to learn more and more! As far as reading is concerned, I'm so happy to see everyone progressing both in reading fluency and comprehension skills. Our goal is to read every day for at least 10 minutes. You can use the RazKids platform, the homework books or any other resource available at home. On the same topic, we started getting familiar with the reading strategy of retelling a story and locating the story elements in a book. We read the book "You can't move a hippo" and we are working on creating retelling ropes.

Math

We've been diving deep into subtraction! We had a fun cookie activity with the help of the Cookie Monster! We learnt how to subtract using our prior knowledge of backward counting and –hopefully- mastered the concept of a **Fact Family**! We will leave the land of subtraction to sail to ordinal numbers, two digit numbers and number comparison soon.

Science

We have been exploring the fascinating, mysterious and intriguing world of animals. What is a camel's habitat? How do fish breathe? We learned all about animal classification and different types of animals. We are about to dive in deeper and find out the characteristics that differentiate mammals from reptiles and what it takes to be(ak) a bird or an amphibian.

Coming up!

- November 17th: NO SCHOOL
- November 18th: 50th day of school.
- 1st grade Google drive photo link: https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1qP2vDs9c-OCCzmFYJgSxTN4eg_JcrFRx

Whatever question /observation /comment /thoughts you might have, do not hesitate to contact Ms. Maria or I via email or on seesaw. We appreciate your feedback! Thank you for your cooperation and support☺.

Kind regards,

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