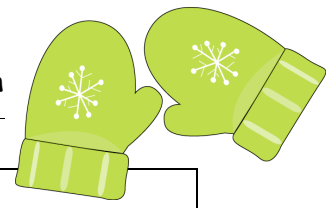


1L's Weekly News - Week of January 20th



Dates to Remember:

- * Thanks to the great participation of the Dwight community in Hoops for Heart, students have earned a Hat/Silly Hat Day this Wednesday, January 22nd. Hoops for Heart donations are due back to school by this Friday, January 24th.
- * On Tuesday, February 4th there will be a 1:40 dismissal for all students, due to teacher professional development.

Reader's Workshop:

This week in Reader's Workshop we will continue our unit on making connections. We will learn about text-to-text connections and discuss books that remind us other books. When you are reading at home with your first graders, ask them about connections they can make!

Writer's Workshop:

Last week was a pretty exciting one in Writer's Workshop! We have a new bin of books in our classroom library: expert books written by our very own 1L authors! This week we'll continue to learn about writing non-fiction, by adding a Table of Contents and chapters to our next expert books.

Math:

- * Thank you to all of the parents that joined us last week for a Math visit in 1L. Our mathematicians had fun showing off their subitizing skills!
- * This week in Math we will continue our study of 3D shapes: cone, pyramid, rectangular prism, cube, sphere, and cylinder. We'll talk about the flat surfaces (faces) and vertices (points), and edges of these shapes.
- * Be on the lookout for a letter in your child's homework folder this week about a special geometry project!

Word Work:

Our new Word Wall Words are: **away, been, little, us, very.**

- * This week we will focus on "magic e" words. For example, *a* says its name in the word *make* because of the silent *e* found at the end of the word.

Science/Social Studies:

Last week we spent time in the LMC, as we continued our penguin research project. We have learned about the size of emperor penguins, how they keep warm, what they eat, and more! Ask your scientist about his/her favorite penguin facts so far!

Odds and Ends:

- * If your first grader celebrates a summer birthday, we will celebrate his/her half-birthday! If you are interested in coming in to read a story to the class, please let me know. Thanks! 😊