

Dates to Remember:

* This Wednesday, October 14th we are excited to welcome a scientist from High Touch, High Tech to talk to us about shadows!

* Thursday, October 22nd, Wednesday, October 28th, and Thursday, October 29th there will be early dismissal at 1:40 due to conferences.

* All Dwight parents are invited to our school Dwight-a-thon, next Friday, October 23rd at 2:00!

* Dwight's Annual Halloween Parade will take place on Friday, October 30th at 2:00. Our 1L classroom party will follow (at about 2:30). All parents are invited to attend!

Reader's Workshop:

This week in Reader's Workshop we'll talk about the differences between books that are too easy, too challenging, and just right.

Writer's Workshop:

We will start our week off with our Weekend News. We will also work with partners, and practice asking good questions to help each other add details to our pieces.

Math:

This week in Math we will talk about addition and subtraction strategies. We'll focus on using a number line and doubles facts. We'll also practice skip counting.

Word Work:

Our new Word Wall Words are: all, an, day, see, so.

We will also focus on the **an** word family.

Science/Social Studies:

This week in Science we hope to get outside this week and trace our shadows with sidewalk chalk. We'll also talk about how shadows can change during the day. When the sun is low in the sky (morning and late afternoon) shadows are longer, and when the sun is high in the sky (noontime) shadows are shorter.

Odds and Ends:

* A big **thank you** to our room parents, Mrs. Field and Mrs. Waiksnis for organizing our volunteers this year. We are SO lucky to have such supportive parents in 1L! * If you are interested in having your reader take home more than two books on Mondays, please send me a note. I can fill their bags with additional books and they can return them at the end of the week, instead of on Wednesday. This is great if you're looking for more books to read at home nightly!