

1L's Weekly News - Week of October 27th



Dates to Remember:

- * Due to last Friday's rainy weather, the Dwight-a-thon has been rescheduled, and will take place this Thursday, October 30th at 10:30. All parents are invited to join us on Thursday!
- * Dwight's All-School Halloween parade will take place this Friday, October 31st at 2:00. Our party in 1L will follow. Students should bring (not wear) costumes to school. All parents are invited to attend these fun events. ☺
- * There is no school next Tuesday, November 4th due to teacher professional development.

Reader's Workshop:

We are continuing our discussion about pattern books in Reader's Workshop. When your reader is enjoying a book at home, ask if he/she spots any patterns in the story.

Writer's Workshop:

This week in Writer's Workshop we will talk about adding how the characters think and feel in a story, how we can use familiar words to spell new words, and begin to talk about ending sentences with punctuation marks.

Math:

This week in Math we will begin *Unit 2 - Whole Number Concepts, Estimation and Computation using Addition and Subtraction within Twenty*. For more information about this unit, be sure to check out the Unit 2 parent letter on the district's wiki: <http://fairfieldpublicschools5math.wikispaces.com/Grade+1+Parent+Unit+Letters>

Word Work:

There will be no new Word Wall words or word families this week. Please continue to practice the "oldies, but goodies" at home!

Science/Social Studies:

We are wrapping up our first Science unit and will soon begin our first Social Studies unit all about "The People In Your Neighborhood". Stay tuned for more information about this unit!

Odds and Ends:

* First grade has learned all about a new website! It's called sumdog.com and gives students opportunities to practice math skills in fun ways. We went to the LMC last week to try it out. Students have to log in to access their individual accounts. Your child can log in with his/her *first name and last initial (no space; i.e. - StephanieL)*. The password is *1L*, and the school code is *timothy-dwight-elementary (no capitals)*. Our mathematicians are so excited about this site and can easily access it at home from the 1L website.