

## 1L's Weekly News - Week of November 4<sup>th</sup>



### Dates to Remember:

- \* There is no school this Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> due to teacher professional development.
- \* If you are interested in returning the sheet for Veterans Day, honoring a veteran in your child's life, please do so by Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>.
- \* On Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate Veterans Day with an All School Meeting. Students are invited to wear red, white, and blue for this special day.
- \* There is no school next Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup> in observance of Veterans Day.
- \* We will celebrate Dwight's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday on Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. Stay tuned for more information!

### Reader's Workshop:

Our readers have been hard at work in 1L! This week we will begin the section of our story elements unit focusing on **retelling**. We will learn about the importance of retelling events in order, and including the characters, setting, problem, and solution when you retell a story. When your reader is enjoying a book at home (either a just right book or a read aloud), you can have him/her retell the story.

### Writer's Workshop:

This week in Writer's Workshop we will begin our author study, focusing on Ezra Jack Keats. We will learn about Ezra Jack Keats' life and read many of his stories!

### Math:

- \* In Math we're continuing our second unit of study. We will talk about the addition strategy of compensation:  $3+9 = 4+10$ .
  - \* Our mathematics curriculum leader has also created wonderfully informative parent letters explaining our math units in great detail. You can access the letters here at the district's mathematics wiki:  
<http://fairfieldpublicschools.k5math.wikispaces.com/Grade+1+Parent+Unit+Letters>
- Be sure to read all about **Unit 2!**

### 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 getting ready to begin our first Social Studies unit all about "The People In Your Neighborhood". Look for a letter coming home this week for information about this unit!

### Odds and Ends:

- \* Thank you to all of the parents who joined us for Dwight's All-School Halloween parade and helped out at our 1L party. Be sure to check out the slideshow on our classroom website. The kids had a great time! ☺