

1L's Weekly News - Week of December 1st



Dates to Remember:

* This Wednesday, December 3rd, Dwight's first graders are heading to the Bridgeport Cabaret Theater to see Peter Pan. We are leaving Dwight around 11:00 and will return around 2:00. Students will need to bring **lunch from home** this day (no peanut butter or nuts please). Please pack lunches in disposable bags clearly labeled with your child's name.

* On Friday, December 12th from 9:45 to 11:00, we will be having our Gingerbread House Celebration. Please remember that your child has been assigned an item to bring in beforehand, as well as a foil-covered cardboard base. All parents are invited to join us for this fun first grade tradition!

Reader's Workshop:

In Reader's Workshop we will continue our nonfiction unit by talking about what readers can "jot down" while they are reading. We'll also do more nonfiction reading and sharing with partners.

Writer's Workshop:

In Writer's Workshop we will continue our non-fiction unit. We'll focus on writing how-to books this week.

Math:

In Math we'll focus on making 20, finding a missing addend (i.e. $?+4=9$), and adding three numbers together. A big goal for first grade mathematicians is to increase math fact fluency. Asking your child to add/subtract numbers at home is great practice!

Word Work:

Our new Word Wall Words are: **because, by, came, come, make.**

This week we will focus on the **short vowels**.

* The December challenge list is now on the Spelling City website. This month's bonus list is all about *winter*.

Science/Social Studies:

* A big thank you to Zoe's mom and dad who visited with The Buzz Truck last week to talk about their role in the community. Ask your first grader what he/she learned! Thank you Mr. and Mrs. Grutkowski! ☺

Odds and Ends:

* **It's not too late!** If you are still interested in coming in sometime this month to talk about your role in the community, please let me know and we can schedule a day/time!