

Dates to Remember:

- * This Friday, December 12th from 9:45-11:00, we will be having our Gingerbread House celebration. 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!
- * Progress reports will be available for viewing on Infinite Campus this Friday, December 12th. This standards-based progress report reflects your child's growth in first grade so far. If you have any questions after reviewing your first grader's progress report, please let me know.

Reader's Workshop:

This week we will continue our nonfiction unit of study. We'll review what makes a good book nook and practice some more reading (and talking about reading!) with partners.

Writer's Workshop:

We are continuing our nonfiction unit, focusing on how-to books. Last week we talked about the importance of writing steps in order and using "time words" (i.e. first, then, last). Ask your writer what he/she has written about so far!

Math:

This week in Math we'll practice adding three numbers and play a fun game that will help reinforce the concept of equivalence. (i.e. - 3+4=5+2)

Word Work: Continuation of last week's work

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

This week we will focus on the short vowels.

Science/Social Studies:

- * Last week we welcomed Mr. Santa Barbara, who taught us about his fun job doing marketing for Frito-Lay!
- * 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!

Odds and Ends:

* A big thank you to Mr. McNamee and Ms. Scheffer for joining us on our field trip to the Cabaret Theater last week. The class loved Peter Pan!