

1L's Weekly News - Week of December 9th



Dates to Remember:

* This Friday, December 13th 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 sent home this Friday, December 13th. This standards-based progress report reflects your child's progress 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 non-fiction unit of study. We learn about non-fiction text features such as: table of contents, index, glossary, labels and captions. Our readers are SUPER excited to be reading non-fiction books during Reader's Workshop!

Writer's Workshop:

We are wrapping up our Author Study this week in Writer's Workshop. We will visit the LMC to type pieces from this unit and then create collages to illustrate our stories - just like Ezra Jack Keats!

Math:

This week in Math we'll learn about fact families and practice adding three addends. We'll also explore story problems that have three addends.

Word Work: *Continuation of last week's work*

Our new Word Wall Words are: **by, come, did, his, was.**

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

Science/Social Studies:

* We spent time in the LMC last week creating our own communities. Ask your first grader what kinds of places he/she decided to include in his/her community!

* **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:

* Next week we will be creating collages to illustrate our Ezra Jack Keats inspired stories. We would greatly appreciate any donations of **fabric swatches, textured or patterned paper, wallpaper samples, or wrapping paper scraps** to use in our collages! Anything you could send into school this week would be wonderful!