

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



Dates to Remember:

* This Thursday, February 12th there will be a 1:40 dismissal, and no school this Friday, February 13th due to teacher professional development. Also, there is no school on Monday, February 16th in observance of Presidents' Day. Enjoy the long weekend! ☺

* If your child wishes to bring in Valentine's Day cards, please have him/her bring one for each child in our class. Cards may be brought in any day this week.

Reader's Workshop:

In Reader's Workshop we'll continue our fiction unit of study, focusing on finding and discussing the problems and solutions of stories.

Writer's Workshop:

In Writer's Workshop this week we'll talk about how to write a catchy introduction and conclusion for a persuasive piece.

Math:

In Math we are beginning our place value unit, called "Organizing and Collecting". Students will be taking inventory of some of our classroom supplies. We'll learn all about organizing objects in groups (with an emphasis on groups of 10) and skip counting. Ask your mathematician why it's helpful to organize objects into groups of 10!

* You can learn more about this unit by visiting the district's math wiki. Follow this link and click on the unit 4 letter:

<http://fairfieldpublicschools.k5math.wikispaces.com/Homework+Help+Grade+1>

Word Work:

* There will be no new words introduced this week...we'll continue practicing our current Word Wall Words!

* Don't forget that the Spelling City website is a great resource that your first grader can use to practice our Word Wall words, as well as challenge lists. There is a link on the 1L website.

Science/Social Studies:

Our scientists are really enjoying their emperor penguin research. We've learned all about its habitat and how it stays warm in the coldest place on earth!

Odds and Ends:

* Thank you to our CANE volunteers, Mrs. DeMeneses and Mrs. Kingston, for coming in to teach us about bird adaptations last week. The class enjoyed the lesson!

* A reminder that we do have a snack break every morning in 1L and your child should come in with a healthy snack each day.