

1L's Weekly News - Week of March 21st



Dates to Remember:

* This Wednesday, March 23rd, Dwight's first graders are heading to the Bridgeport Cabaret Theater to see James and the Giant Peach. We are leaving Dwight around 10:45 and will return around 2:00. Students will need to bring **lunch from home** this day, as we will be eating at the theater (no peanut butter/nuts please). Please pack lunches in disposable bags clearly labeled with your child's name.

* As of Thursday, March 24th, second marking period progress reports are available for viewing on Infinite Campus. Please let me know if you have any questions after reviewing your child's progress report.

* There is no school this Friday, March 25th, as it is Good Friday. Enjoy the long weekend! ☺

* Wednesday, March 30th, Thursday, March 31st, and Wednesday, April 6th are early dismissal days (1:40 p.m.) due to conferences. I am looking forward to meeting with all of you.

Reader's Workshop:

This week we'll continue our fairy/folktale unit by looking at characters' feelings. Ask your reader what stories we've read in 1L so far!

Writer's Workshop:

In Writer's Workshop we will continue our fiction pieces. We'll focus on spelling words the best we can, using the Word Wall, and start to talk about what makes a good fiction series.

Math:

In Math we'll begin our next unit, all about **time and measurement**. This week we'll explore measuring objects using non-standard units of measure (tiles, blocks, etc.). We'll also make estimates and compare length. Check out the unit 5 letter here:

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

* Thank you for helping your mathematician practice his/her math facts three times a week!

Word Work: *We'll continue our work from last week.*

* Our new Word Wall Words are: **after, been, before, saw, there.**

* This week we will also focus on **compound words**. (Some examples are: butterfly, snowman, toothbrush.)

Science/Social Studies:

* We're continuing our riddle books in the LMC this week.

Odds and Ends:

* Please remember that we take a snack break each morning, and to send your first grader into school with a healthy, nut-free snack. Thanks!