

1L's Weekly News - Week of March 31st



Dates to Remember:

* This Wednesday, April 2nd and Thursday, April 3rd are early dismissal days (1:40 pm) due to conferences. Miss Mancini and I enjoyed meeting with many of you last week, and look forward to these next two conference days.

* Save the Date! 1L would like to invite all of our mothers to a very special Mother's Day Tea, on Friday, May 9th from 2:30-3:15.

Reader's Workshop:

We'll continue our poetry unit this week, focusing on talking and writing about poems. We'll share our connections to poems, inferences we can make, the mood/tone of poems, and what we notice!

Writer's Workshop:

In Writer's Workshop we'll continue to write our own poetry. (You should see our poets at work...wow!) We'll talk about line breaks and white space, and we'll learn about using similes in our poems. (i.e. - *The crayon was as yellow as the sun.*)

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.

Word Work:

* Our Word Wall Words are: **just, mother, should, too, two.**

* This week we will also focus on **vowel teams**. These are two vowels that travel together, such as **oa, ea, ai, ay**. We'll learn about the rule, "When two vowels go walking, the first one does the talking."

* Be sure to check out Spelling City for our April Challenge list; it focuses on "going green"!

Science/Social Studies:

Our next Science unit is all about "Going Green"! During this unit we will talk about why it's important to protect the environment and ways that we can help our Earth!

Odds and Ends:

* I want to thank the 1L community again for such a wonderful (and surprising!) baby shower. It was the best way to start my work week and I am so thankful for your generosity and excitement! ☺ Baby L and I are lucky to have you all in our lives.

* Please remember to return your child's progress report envelope to school if you have not done so already. Thanks!