



1L's Weekly News - Week of March 7th

Dates to Remember:

* On 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 (no peanut butter/nuts please). Please pack lunches in disposable bags clearly labeled with your child's name.

* There will be no school on Friday, March 25th in observance of Good Friday.

* 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:

We are beginning a new unit of study focusing on fairy tales and folk tales. We'll spend time this week talking about what we notice about these types of stories, and start to look at **plot**.

Writer's Workshop:

We are beginning our fiction unit of study in Writer's Workshop this week. We'll talk about creating characters, putting them in a setting, and writing about events that happen to them.

Math:

In Math this week we'll play some number games and solve some riddles to continue to practice our place value skills.

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

Word Work:

* There will be no new Word Wall words this week. Please continue to practice the "oldies, but goodies" at home!

Science/Social Studies:

* This week our scientists will spend their Tech Time turning their animal research into a fun riddle project.

Odds and Ends:

* If you have not signed up for a spring conference slot, please do so as soon as possible. Here's the link to sign up online:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4caba622a1fd0-1spring>