

1L's Weekly News - Week of April 20th



Dates to Remember:

* 1L would like to invite all of our mothers to a very special Mother's Day Tea, on Friday, May 15th at 2:30 p.m.

Reader's Workshop:

We will begin our next unit in Reader's Workshop, which is a *character study*. We will learn about main and minor characters in stories. We'll also spend time brainstorming external and internal traits we can use to describe these characters. When your reader is enjoying books at home (either read independently or read aloud), ask him/her to tell you about the characters!

Writer's Workshop:

In Writer's Workshop we'll wrap up our poetry unit. Before vacation, our writers were so proud to type up "teaching poems" to create a book for Mrs. Morrissey's Pre K class! This week we'll focus on editing and revising our poems.

Math:

This week we'll begin our study of time. We'll learn to tell time to the **hour** and **half-hour** on analog and digital clocks. Have your first grader become a "time keeper" in your house! Ask your child throughout the day if he/she can read the clock to you.

Word Work:

* Our new Word Wall Words are: **brother, Dwight, every, friend, school, sister.**

* This week we will also continue our focus on **vowel teams**.

Science/Social Studies:

In Science we'll continue our unit all about the environment. We are very excited to welcome Mrs. Sciuto to first grade this week. She is the Recycling Coordinator for the Town of Fairfield, and she's coming in to talk to us on Tuesday about the importance of recycling!

Odds and Ends:

* Welcome back from April vacation! I hope that you all had a wonderful week off and are ready for spring in 1L! ☺