1L's Weekly News - Week of September 28th

Dates to Remember:

- * Field trip checks and permission slips are due this Monday, September 28th. We are looking forward to our trips this year!
- * Next Tuesday, October 6th there will be a 1:40 dismissal for all students, due to teacher professional development.

Reader's Workshop:

In Reader's Workshop this week we'll talk about rereading books for fluency. Be sure to ask your reader what fluency means! We'll also talk about the importance of looking at the cover of a book and taking a picture walk before reading a story.

Writer's Workshop:

Writing time has been going well in 1L! This week we'll talk about what to do when you're done with a story and focus on using the lines correctly when writing. Ask your writer what he/she has written about so far!

Math:

This week in Math we will focus on teen numbers. We'll use the math rack and tens frames to compose and decompose numbers 11-20. We'll also learn two new fun addition dice games.

Word Work:

Our new Word Wall Words are: at, can, my, up, we.

We'll also focus on the *at* word family this week.

* SpellingCity.com is a great website that provides fun ways for students to practice their Word Wall words. Last week we went to the LMC and I showed the class different activities that they can do on this site. We had a great time exploring the games and puzzles! You can access this site by going to our classroom website and clicking on the Spelling City link on the right-hand side of the page. I will update this site weekly, and I will also post a monthly challenge list based on a theme.

Science/Social Studies:

Our first Science unit will be Sun and Shadows. We will begin this unit by talking about what we can see in the day and night sky.

Odds and Ends:

- * Homework will begin next week for first grade students. Mondays and Tuesdays will be reading nights, Wednesday will be a writing assignment, and Thursday night will be math practice. A letter will be coming home in your child's homework folder on Monday of next week.
- * Please remember that library books should be returned to school on or before "C" days. (Unless, of course, your reader is not finished with them!) That way, your child can check out new books for the week. Thanks!