# 1L's Weekly News - Week of September 29th

#### Dates to Remember:

- \* Next Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup> there will be a 1:40 dismissal for all students, due to teacher professional development.
- \* If you are interested in ordering books from the October Scholastic book order, forms and checks or online orders are due by Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>.

## Reader's Workshop:

In Reader's Workshop we will begin a unit that focuses on decoding. This week we will talk about using pictures to help you figure out tricky words, thinking about what makes sense when you make a guess about a word, and getting your mouth ready to figure out a word.

## Writer's Workshop:

Writing time has been going well in 1L! This week we'll talk about picking good spots to write around the room and what writing share time looks like and sounds like.

#### Math:

This week in Math we will focus on teen numbers and twenties. We'll use the math rack and tens frames to compose and decompose numbers 11-20.

#### Word Work:

Our new Word Wall Words are: go, he, like, me, no.

\* 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 left-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:

- \* The green homework folders ordered this year are not holding up as well as I had hoped. © If your child's folder has seen better days and you are interested in sending in a different (more durable!) folder for your first grader, that would be much appreciated! Thanks! ©
- \* 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.