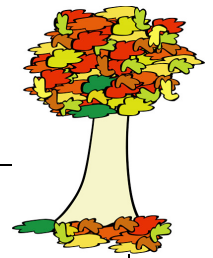


1L's Weekly News - Week of September 8th



Dates to Remember:

- * Picture Day is this Friday, September 12th.
- * Open House is next Wednesday, September 17th. I am looking forward to meeting with you!

Reader's Workshop:

Last week we launched Reader's Workshop, and I have discovered that there are some very enthusiastic readers in 1L! ☺ So far we've talked about the importance of listening carefully during a mini-lesson and what reading time looks like and sounds like in our classroom. This week we'll discuss choosing books that interest us and also talk about taking good care of our books.

Writer's Workshop:

In Writer's Workshop we will begin our weekly tradition of Weekend News. Every Monday morning, students will write and draw about their weekends. This is an exciting way to continue to practice our writing skills and get to know each other!

Math:

We've been using graphs to learn all about each other. Last week we looked at bar graphs, and this week we'll explore tally marks.

Word Work:

In Word Work, we'll introduce five new Word Wall words each week. The words will be put on the Word Wall in our classroom and students will be expected to spell them correctly in their writing. We'll begin with a review of some of the words that students learned and practiced last year.

Our new Word Wall Words are: **a, and, I, the, to**

Science/Social Studies:

Stay tuned for more information about our first Science unit!

Odds and Ends:

- * We're off to a great start in 1L! The students are finding connections to each other (and to me!) and we're getting to know each other. We are truly becoming a community and everyone seems to be enjoying first grade!
- * Please remember to send a snack in with your child every day. We will have a snack break each morning in 1L. **(Reminder: Classroom snacks should not contain nuts.)**
- * If you are picking up your child at the end of the day, or if there are any other changes in dismissal, your child will need a note in his/her homework folder that morning.
- * Please remember to have your first grader wear sneakers on "C" days and "E" days, as those are the days we have P.E.
- * Last week we met our Book Buddies in 4H. All of the students (first graders and fourth graders!) were excited to get together. We will be meeting throughout the year to read, share activities, and do projects!
- * Please check out our first slideshow on our classroom website. Hope you enjoy the glimpse into your first grader's day!