First Grade News

Dear Parents,
We are so proud of our Pilgrims and Native Americans. They did such a great job today! Thank you for joining us!!

Please have a wonderful Thanksgiving with your family!

***Please note that there is an early dismissal on Wednesday, November 26 at 1:40pm.

Tonight's Homework
Please complete the blend practice sheets for homework.

Phonics/Penmanship:
We will not be introducing new word wall words because of the short week. Keep practicing the ones that have been introduced at home. These are many ways to practice the words, such as writing them in shaving cream on a sheet pan or sky writing them.

Math
The students have been working very hard on using various strategies when solving addition and subtraction problems. Below please find a chart reviewing the strategies. Please note that the last two strategies (Leaps of Ten and Landmark Number) have not yet been introduced. This chart would be great to print out and keep at home as a way to continue to encourage your child to use strategies to help them solve problems.

Social Studies
Our students have worked so hard to learn about the First Thanksgiving. We are so impressed with the rich conversations that have occurred in each classroom. We were able to talk about Needs versus wants and what the Pilgrims may have needed to survive. As a celebration of our learning, we will be having a movie and popcorn day on Wednesday, November 26th. We will be watching *A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving* with the first grade classes.

Respectfully yours,

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Addition and Subtraction Strategy Chart

Count On from Larger Number 6+2=8	
Using the 5 Structure 8+7 or 8 + (2+5) = (8+2) +5 7 10	
Doubles 3+3=6 8-4=4	
Near Doubles 6+7=13 (6+6=12 and one more)	
Making Ten: Compensation 4+9=13 (3+10=13)	
Related Facts: Commutative Property 5+4=9 4+5=9	
Associative Property: (4 + 3) + 2 =9 = 4 +(3 + 2) =9	
Leaps of Ten 33+29=62 (33+10+10+9)	
Landmark Number 33 + (30-1)= 63 63-1=62 29	