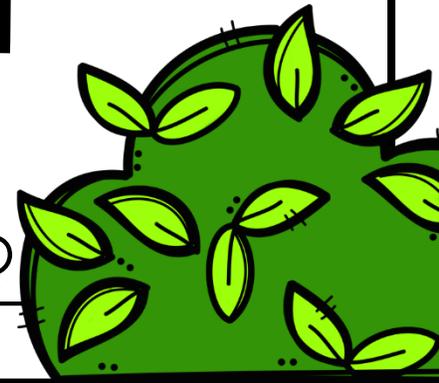




# 1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE WITH MRS. ELDER

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER  
WEEK OF AUGUST 26<sup>TH</sup>



## CLASS NEWS:

We've had an amazing start to our new year! Students are doing a great job learning all of our new procedures and being great friends to each other.

Below is a list of field trips that we currently have scheduled for the year. I'm sure we will add to this list as the year continues, but I wanted to go ahead and send out the dates. We should be able to have 3-4 parents join us for most field trips. If you see a field trip that you would like to volunteer for, feel free to go ahead and let me know. I will add your name to our list. If we have more than 3-4 parents volunteer for a certain trip, I will choose volunteers based on who has not had an opportunity to volunteer in the past or draw a name.

Thanks!!  
-Mrs. Elder

### **FARNSLEY-MOREMEN LANDING**

October 16<sup>th</sup> All Day  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade Only

### **RAUCH PLANETARIUM**

March 23<sup>rd</sup> Half Day  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade Only

### **STAGE ONE**

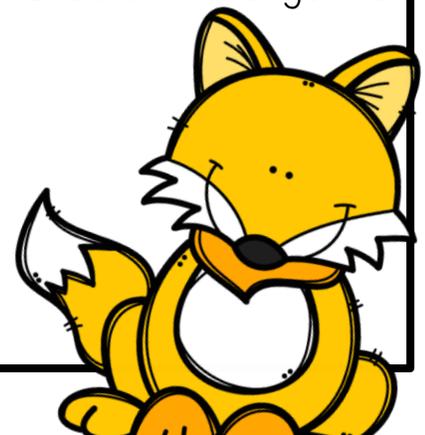
Dragon's Love  
Tacos  
April 9<sup>th</sup> Half Day  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade/Kindergarten

### **DERBY MUSEUM**

April 13<sup>th</sup> Half Day  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade/Kindergarten

### **PARKLANDS**

May 14<sup>th</sup> Full Day  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade/Kindergarten



## **LEARNING FOCUS FOR THE WEEK:**

**Reading** – This week, students will learn how to pick Just Right Books. Just like Goldilocks found that some things were too hard, some things were too soft (or easy), and some things were Just Right, we will find that some books are Just Right for us. When choosing Just Right books, students should find a book that looks interesting to them first. Then, they should try and read a page out of the book. If they find that there are 5 or more tricky words, or words that they have to sound out, then we would try that book again in a few weeks. But, if they can read the page without 5 or more stumbles and they understand what they read, then the book is Just Right for them. Each student will have their own book bucket with 5 books in it for the week. The 5 books will be books they choose containing 3 Just Right Books, 1 Nonfiction book, and 1 Just Because They Love It book.

**Writing** – We will transition from writing lists to writing topic sentences this week. Just as a list has an overall topic, so should our writing. Students will learn that the topic sentence should tell the reader what he or she is about to read.

**Math** – Our math this week will focus on building number bonds for 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10. Number bonds show students numbers that are hiding within the big number or the parts of the big number. This activity builds addition fluency.

**Science** – We'll be exploring what scientist look like, the tools they use, and how to start to think like a scientist.

**Core Essentials** – This week we will explore how kindness and respect are part of treating others right. We'll watch for examples of our class treating others right.