



1ST GRADE WITH MRS. ELDER

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 9TH



CLASS NEWS:

This week in your child's binder you should find our 1st Show Me What You Know - Spelling. The front side shows how they did spelling short /a/ words. On the back, you will find a dictated sentence. For this portion of the assessment, students can earn 4 points.

- 1 point - Correct use of capital letters
- 1 point - Space between words
- 1 point - Correct use of punctuation
- 1 point - All words are spelled correctly

You should also find a Sprint and a Dash from our math. When looking at Sprints and Dashes, you want to see that your child made an improvement from the 1st attempt to the 2nd attempt. Your kiddo should be able to explain what a Sprint is and how it's different than a Dash.

Everyone has completed their 1st attempt with Sight Word Cards. Take a look in the Sight Word section of the binder to see which card your kiddo is working on mastering. As they master a section, we will write it in their binder so you know which words to work on at home.

If you have any questions about these, please let me know.

Thanks!!
-Mrs. Elder

Important Dates/Events:

- Lunch with Grandparents: September 9th 11:40 - 12:10
- Philip Rousseau Birthday - September 10th
- Reading MAP Testing: September 11th
- Open House: September 11th 6:00 - 7:30
- Math MAP Testing: September 18th



LEARNING FOCUS FOR THE WEEK:

Reading -

During Just Right Reading, students will begin using their Reader's Journal to keep track of their thinking as they read or to write down things they notice in their books.

Sound for the week is short /i/. (in, rip, sit, film, etc)

On Friday, we will take a Show Me What You Know (spelling). This assessment will cover both short /a/ and short /i/. Students will also write a dictated sentence using grade appropriate sight words and single syllable short /a/ and short /i/ words.

Writing - This week during writing, we will begin to look at how writers close their writing. Students will begin adding closing sentences to their own personal writing pieces.

Math - Our math focus this week is on missing addends and different ways we can write number sentences.

Science - We'll begin recording our observations this week. We'll also discuss the difference between a fact and an opinion.

Core Essentials - Our Core Essentials focus for the month of September is Trust. As we talk more about people we trust, we'll begin to make the connection between trust and attention. Trust involves giving people your full attention. You can help others feel like you are trustworthy by making eye contact with them when you are speaking.