



# 1<sup>st</sup> Grade with Mrs. Elder Weekly Newsletter



Week of October 14th

## Class News:

Welcome back! I hope everyone had an amazing fall break and is officially ready for fall!

This will be our first official start for homework. Please be sure to check the homework section of the binder for more information. You can keep all homework in this section and on Friday, I will take it out of the binder. Keep in mind, homework should only take about 10 minutes per activity.

This Wednesday is our first field trip. The field trip is mostly outdoors so please be sure to dress kiddos for the weather. Layers are always a great idea, as we will be moving from sunny to shady spots. Please be sure to have kiddos wear tennis shoes as well. I have several students who requested sack lunches from school. If you did not request a lunch, but would like for the school to provide a lunch for your child, please let me know by the end of the day tomorrow.

In connection with the grand re-opening of the library, we will have a "Dress As Your Favorite Book Character" Day on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Costumes need to be within the school dress code, with no faces covered with masks or paint.

If you have any questions about homework or Character Day, please let me know.

Thanks!!

Mrs. Elder

## Important Dates/Events:

- October 16<sup>th</sup> — Farnsely-Moremen Landing Field Trip
- October 22<sup>nd</sup> — Dress As Your Favorite Book Character
- October 25<sup>th</sup> — Halloween Parade and Carnival
- October 31<sup>st</sup> — Classroom Halloween Celebration



## Learning Focus for the week:

### **Reading** –

Our comprehension strategy this week will be on Schema. Students will learn to reading to help them better understand what their about to read. For more our Thinking Strategies newsletter.

Sounds for the week will be the /sh/ and /ch/ digraphs. Students will work with word with each of those digraphs. We'll end the week with a Show Me What You Know digraphs and the short vowel sounds.

**Writing** – During writing workshop, students will focus on developing a strong middle to their narrative. The middle should contain the “problem’ of the story.

**Math** – Our math focus for the week will continue to be subtraction and how it relates to addition.

**Science** – We'll begin researching what senses animals have and how they use those senses to help them survive. We'll begin a unit on bats.

**Core Essentials** – Our focus for the month of October is **Courage**, being brave enough to do what you should, even when you're afraid. Be sure to check out newsletter on courage.

### **Field Trip Chaperones for Wednesday**

Jimmy Smith

Whitnie Nunnally

Andy Almond