

First Grade News

August 31- September 4



Week in Review

English Language Arts

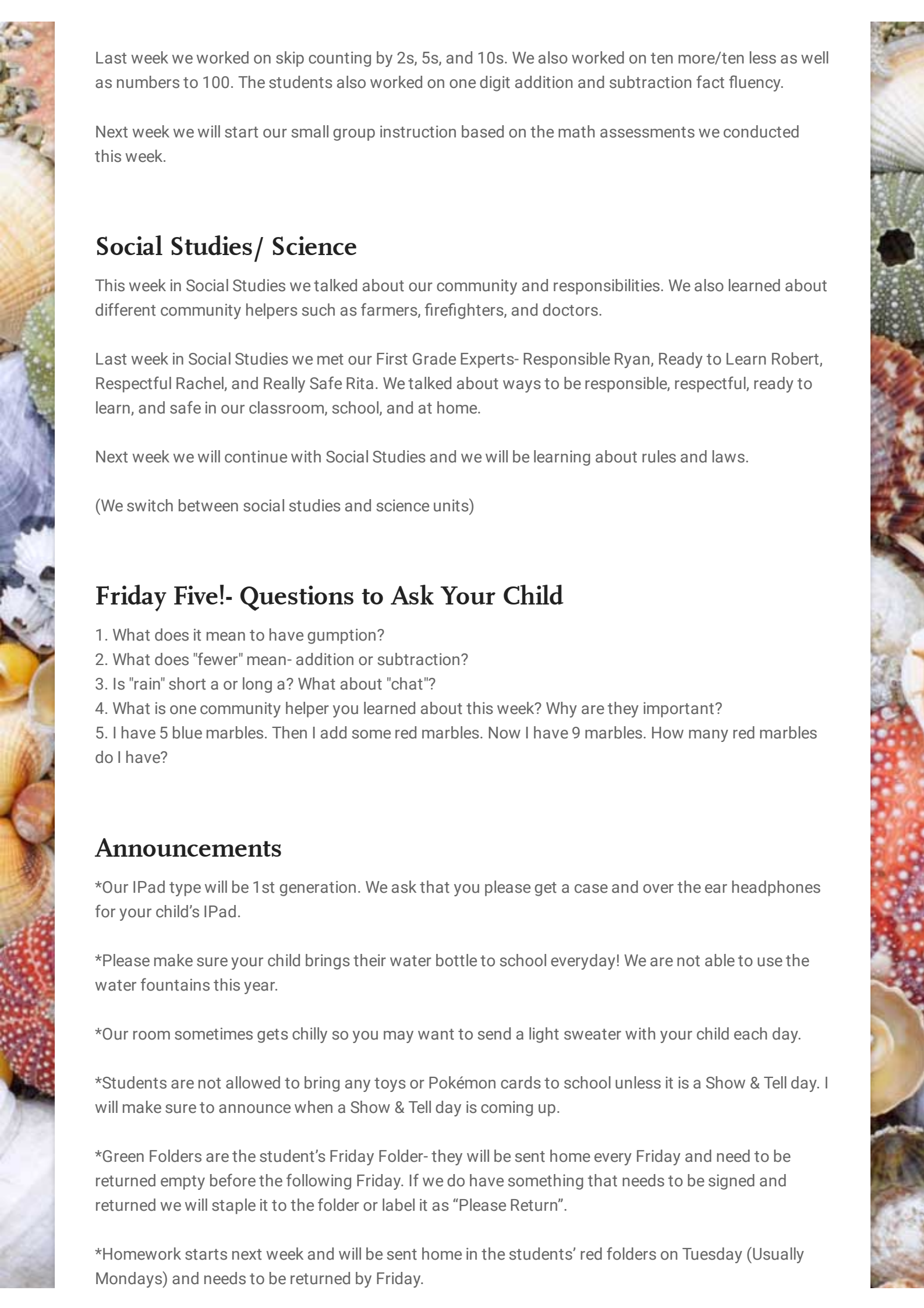
This week in ELA, we worked on describing and comparing characters. We also worked on our high frequency words of the week *my, on, in, come, way*. Our phonics focus this week was short a and long a. We also took turns reading aloud our story of the week- "Sam, Come Back!" For writing, we practiced our writing structure- Beginning sentence, 3 reasons, and a concluding sentence.

Last week our story of the week was "Edward the Emu". We worked on some vocabulary from the story including *gumption, bask, amusing, detest, snarl, clamber*. As a class we also worked on making predictions about the story.

Next week we will start our small group instruction based on the reading level assessments we conducted this week.

Math

This week in math we worked on addition and subtraction within 10, finding the missing number, and word problem strategies. We talked about our addition vocabulary- *in all & altogether* & our subtraction vocabulary- *fewer, left, how many more*.



Last week we worked on skip counting by 2s, 5s, and 10s. We also worked on ten more/ten less as well as numbers to 100. The students also worked on one digit addition and subtraction fact fluency.

Next week we will start our small group instruction based on the math assessments we conducted this week.

Social Studies/ Science

This week in Social Studies we talked about our community and responsibilities. We also learned about different community helpers such as farmers, firefighters, and doctors.

Last week in Social Studies we met our First Grade Experts- Responsible Ryan, Ready to Learn Robert, Respectful Rachel, and Really Safe Rita. We talked about ways to be responsible, respectful, ready to learn, and safe in our classroom, school, and at home.

Next week we will continue with Social Studies and we will be learning about rules and laws.

(We switch between social studies and science units)

Friday Five!- Questions to Ask Your Child

1. What does it mean to have gumption?
2. What does "fewer" mean- addition or subtraction?
3. Is "rain" short a or long a? What about "chat"?
4. What is one community helper you learned about this week? Why are they important?
5. I have 5 blue marbles. Then I add some red marbles. Now I have 9 marbles. How many red marbles do I have?

Announcements

*Our iPad type will be 1st generation. We ask that you please get a case and over the ear headphones for your child's iPad.

*Please make sure your child brings their water bottle to school everyday! We are not able to use the water fountains this year.

*Our room sometimes gets chilly so you may want to send a light sweater with your child each day.

*Students are not allowed to bring any toys or Pokémon cards to school unless it is a Show & Tell day. I will make sure to announce when a Show & Tell day is coming up.

*Green Folders are the student's Friday Folder- they will be sent home every Friday and need to be returned empty before the following Friday. If we do have something that needs to be signed and returned we will staple it to the folder or label it as "Please Return".

*Homework starts next week and will be sent home in the students' red folders on Tuesday (Usually Mondays) and needs to be returned by Friday.

*Please remind your child to keep practicing social distancing at school!

Next Week's Events

September 7th- No School

September 10th @ 5:30pm-

Virtual Back to School Night and Curriculum Presentation

Zoom code: 7018120753

(If you are not able to attend I will be sending out the presentation afterward)

September 11th- Summer's Birthday!

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