

FIRST GRADE NEWS

SEPTEMBER 14-18

WEEK IN REVIEW

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

This week in ELA we worked on characters and setting in our writing and our group read-aloud. We also worked on our sight words of the week: *blue, little, help, get, use*. In small groups we worked on guided reading with our leveled readers. We also had small groups working on:

- parts of speech, simile, subject-predicate, alliteration, & analogies/ Word work: ar, are, air
- long or short words, verbs, homophones, & punctuation practice / Word work: short a, long a, ai, ay
- compound words, syllables, contractions, ending -ed, & vowel team "oi" / Word work: short a, long a, a-e
- vowels, syllables, reading strategies, & ending sounds/ Word work: short a, long a

Next week we will have small groups working on:

- compare & contrast & point of view / Word Work: er, ear, eer
- simile, singular to plural, suffixes / Word Work: o, oa, ow
- prefix "un" /Word work: o, o-e, oa
- beginning sounds and reading strategies / Word Work: Short i & Long i

MATH

This week in math we worked on some addition strategies such as ten frames and the "flip flop" method ($a+b=c$ & $b+a=c$) We also had small groups working on:

- expanded form
- 2 digit addition/subtraction word problems
- missing addends

Next week our small groups will be working on:

- addition and subtraction strategies to 20

- addition and subtraction strategies to 10

SOCIAL STUDIES/ SCIENCE

This week in Social Studies we learned about principles of democracy such as fairness & equality. We also addressed our social/emotional topic of conflict and compromise.

Next week we will continue with Social Studies and we will be learning about the purpose and structure of government, elections, and voting.

(We switch between social studies and science units)

FRIDAY FIVE!- QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR CHILD

1. Can you write a sentence with the word *use*?
2. What does *conflict* mean?
3. Read a book with your child and ask "Who are the characters? What is the setting?"
4. If $7+3=10$ what does $3+7$ equal?
5. Fix this sentence: i tok the dogg for a wak (I took the dog for a walk.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Spelling Quiz next Friday September 25th

(Spelling Words will come home in Homework Folders on Monday with a Spelling Menu to help the students practice.)

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

September 3rd- Alex's Birthday!

September 6th- Aiden's Birthday!

September 11th- Summer's Birthday!

September 29th- Luke Sessoms' Birthday!

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