

First Grade News



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Reading and Phonics

We will begin with our new Reading unit, learning about the world. In this unit students are learning all about nonfiction text. Students will learn how to identify the main idea and supporting details of the text they read. We will retell or summarize important information. Encourage your child to ask questions before, during and after reading.

We will begin our phonics unit "From Tip to Tail." Students will focus on learning and reading words with common endings (-ed, tricky y, blends, and digraphs). We will continue to introduce snap words.

Math

In Topic 6, we will represent and interpret data, explore concepts of data analysis involving up to three categories of data. Students will collect, organize, represent, and interpret data while solving problems involving addition and subtraction like those solved in Topic 1.

In Topic 7, we will use a number chart to practice counting by ones and tens to 120.

Please make sure your child completes homework and returns to school the next day.

Continue to play Dreambox!

Writing

We will begin writing nonfiction chapter books. We will learn about text features and adding elaboration to our writing. We will learn how to use comparisons and give examples in teach our readers. At the conclusion of this unit, students will be introduced to using research to write nonfiction.

Science

We will begin our Earth and Space science unit. In this unit we will learn about the day and night sky. We will observe patterns in the sky and learn about the stars and moon. To complete our unit we will learn about the length of days and how it changes throughout the year. As part of this unit, we will be visiting the planetarium at Southampton Middle School in February.

Other

- -Wear tennis shoes for recess and physical education.
- Weather pending, we will continue to go outside throughout the winter. Please dress accordingly.
- -Send one healthy snack each day that does not require a utensil. Also, please
- -Please charge laptops every night and continue to practice signing on.
- -Please check your child's Take Home folder every day!