

February Newsletter 1st Grade

<p><u>Curriculum News</u></p> <p>Writing Workshop: This month students will write informational text. We will learn how to research a topic and then turn those facts into an informational writing piece.</p> <p>Reading Workshop: During the month of February we will be reading informational books. We will learn about all the conventions in nonfiction books.</p> <p>Math Workshop: We have just finished our unit on counting money. Please continue to practice counting money at home. This month we will be counting collections to 100 by dividing them into equal parts and representing those using words, pictures and diagrams. We will also learn about fractions (halves and fourths) as part of a whole. We will finish the month by comparing sets using $<$, $>$, $=$.</p> <p>Word Study: We will be learning about multiple meanings of words. For example: dear/deer, write/right, etc. Students will learn dictionary skills. They will learn how to read and write contractions.</p> <p>Science/Social Studies/Health In social studies we will be learning about Roosevelt. In science we will learn about light and sound.</p>	<p>Please be aware now that we are in the second half of first grade the work has become harder and the expectations are higher. Students should be working independently to complete all assignments neatly and correctly. Students now need to read directions on their own and complete assignments. Unnecessary mistakes are being made due to not reading carefully. Students are expected to turn in work that is their best. By this we mean, neatness handwriting, all problems completed, worked checked over. Please talk with your child about doing their best every day. We want to send responsible, independent students to second grade.</p> <p>Thanks for all you do to help your student!!!!</p>
<p><u>Important Dates</u></p> <p><u>Feb. 14th</u>: Valentine's Day: Students may bring cards for the whole class. Look for class lists to be coming home.</p> <p><u>Feb. 17 & 20th</u>: No school</p> <p><u>Feb. 27th & 28th</u>: Early Release conference days.</p>	<p>Make sure you child is dressed every day to go on the playground. As the temperatures rise and fall students to be have appropriate clothing to go outside each day.</p>