

First Grade News



Weeks 5 & 6: September 29th to October 10th, 2025

A Look Ahead

LITERACY

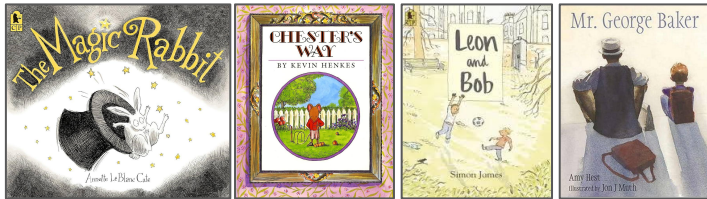
Interactive Read-Alouds

We will listen to and discuss the following books:

Text Set: The Importance of Friendship

Essential Question: What does it mean to be a good friend?

Texts: *The Magic Rabbit* by Annette LeBlanc Cate, *Chester's Way* by Kevin Henkes, *Leon and Bob* by Simon James & *Mr. George Baker* by Amy Hest



Shared Reading

We will read the following texts and poetry together:

Texts: *The Hippo* by Cordelia S. Finn, *The Big, Green, Scary Monster* by Judith E. Nayer, *Rain, Sun, Wind, Snow: Poems About the Seasons* by multiple authors



Word Work

We will focus on consonant-vowel-consonant (CVC words).

Readers' Workshop

As of last week, your child began to meet with a small group of their peers who are at a similar point in their reading development for guided reading. During this time, your child reads a text that is new to them and receives individualized instruction that is responsive to their strengths and needs. Additionally, your child will begin to write and draw about the texts that they are reading in their Reader's Notebook. Our reading minilessons will resume once we have become accustomed to this new daily routine.

Writers' Workshop

Our writing principles are:

Learning About Self and Others Through StoryTelling

- Tell stories about places you don't want to forget

Getting Started with Making Books

- Make a book with pictures and words
- Plan what to put on each page
- Reread your writing to think what to do next.

Upcoming Events



Wednesday, October 1st
MORNING MEETING IN MPR



Thursday, October 2nd
NO SCHOOL - YOM KIPPUR



Wednesday, October 8th
PICTURE DAY



Friday, October 10th
NO SCHOOL - SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY

Mathematics

Topic 2: Fluently Add and Subtract Within 10

We will focus on strategies that promote fluency like:

- Counting on
- Doubles facts
- Near doubles facts
- Counting back
- Adding in any order

Science



Topic: Light and Sound

Science Experience 2: Observe Light

We will be learning about natural and artificial sources of light. We will also explore how light can be used to communicate messages. As a fun activity, we will use flashlights to send simple messages to each other across the classroom.

Social Studies

Topic: Being a Good Citizen

Questions: What are the rights and responsibilities of citizens? Why do we vote?

- Americans have a right to vote for their leaders
- Voting is a way that citizens make choices fairly

How Have Rights and Responsibilities Changed Over Time?

- In the past, people had different rights and responsibilities
- Today, children have the right to go to be safe and go to school