

# First Grade News



Weeks 1 & 2: September 2nd to 12th, 2025

## Literacy

### Interactive Read-Alouds

We will listen to and discuss the following books:

**Text Set:** **Learning and Working Together: School**

**Essential Question:** What makes a school feel like a community?

**Texts:** *First Day Jitters* by Julie Danneburg, *A Fine, Fine School* by Sharon Creech, *David's Drawings* by Cathryn Falwell, *Elizabeth's School* by Stephanie Stuve-Bodeen & *Jamaica's Blue Marker* by Juanita Havill



### Shared Reading

We will read the following texts together:

**Texts:** *Monster ABCs* by Finnoula Louise, *Tap, Tap, Tappity-Tap!* by Elizabeth Sawyer, *Clippity Clop* by Susan A. Layne, *In My Bag* by Amy Frank & *Silly and Fun: Poems to Make You Smile* by multiple authors



### Word Work

We will review letter names, letter sounds, and letter formation.

### Readers' Workshop

We will learn the following classroom principles that support independent reading work:

- Use an appropriate voice level
- Turn and talk to share your thinking
- Listen carefully to each other
- The classroom library is organized so you can make good book choices
- Take good care of the books in the library
- Read silently so everyone can enjoy reading

### Writers' Workshop

We will also learn the following classroom principles that support independent writing:

- Find ways to solve problems when the teacher is busy
- Do your best work
- Get started on your own quickly and quietly
- Draw and write until the end of writing time

## Upcoming Events



Friday, September 12th  
**BACK TO SCHOOL BEACH DAY**



Wednesday, September 17th  
**MORNING MEETING IN MPR**



Wednesday, September 17th  
**BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT**

## Mathematics



**Topic:** **Understand Addition and Subtraction**

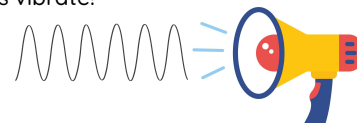
We will develop a deeper understanding of addition and subtraction by working on "add to", "put together", "take from", "take apart" and "compare" word problems.

## Science

**Topic:** **Light and Sound**

**Science Experience 1:** **Investigate Sound**

We will plan and conduct investigations that provide evidence that vibrating materials can make sound and that sound can make materials vibrate!



## Social Studies

**Topic:** **Being a Good Citizen**

**Questions:**

**What are the rights and responsibilities of citizens?**

**How do rules and laws help us?**

- Rules and laws help us stay safe, be fair, and get along
- Good citizens have a responsibility to follow rules and laws

**How can we get along with others?**

- Good citizens work together to solve problems, reach agreements, cooperate, and make compromises