

November 4th to 8th, 2024

A Look Ahead

First Grade News

LITERACY

Interactive Read-Alouds

We will continue to listen to and discuss the adorable books of author/illustrator Kevin Henkes. Essential Question: What did the author/illustrator do to make their books interesting or fun to read? Texts: Julius:The Baby of The World & Lilly's Big Day written & illustrated by Kevin Henkes



Shared Reading

We will read the following texts and poetry together: **Texts:** The Strawberry Hunt by Joan Silver & Silly and Fun: Poems to Make You Smile by multiple authors



Word Work

We will learn the bonus letter rule: If a one syllable word has a single short vowel immediately followed by an f, I or s at the end of the word, then double the consonant e.g. hill, miss & off. We will discover that the letter z sometimes follows this rule and sometimes does not e.g. buzz & quiz. Our trick words this week are: you, your, I & they.

Readers' Workshop

Our umbrella of minilessons will highlight characters, their emotions, and how to infer characters' feelings. Our reading principles are:

- Stories have important characters
- The characters' faces and bodies show how they feel
- What the characters say and do shows how they are feeling

Writers' Workshop

Our umbrella of minilessons will break down how to write words. Our writing principles are:

- Say words slowly to listen for all the sounds
- Break words into syllables to write them

<u>MATH</u>

We will complete and review **Topic 3**: **Addition Facts to 20**: **Use Strategies**. There will be an assessment on Friday, 11/8.

SCIENCE

We will research how a chosen animal communicates.

Upcoming Events



Monday, November 4th **PICTURE RETAKE DAY**

Thursday, November 7th PTA FAMILY FUNDRAISING DINNER @ PANERA

Monday, November 11th NO SCHOOL

Homework

Reading: Color one picture for every 10 minutes of reading.

- Read **to** your child
- Read with your child
- Listen while your child reads to you

The November Reading Log is due on <u>Tues</u>, <u>11/26</u> (<u>before the Thanksgiving break</u>)

Spelling & Writing: Complete two spelling activities each week. Spelling work is collected on Fridays.

Math: Look for homework pages in the **orange** homework folder each night.

Reminders

 If you did not already do so, please return the October Reading Log and your child's Spelling Notebook.