



FIRST GRADE!



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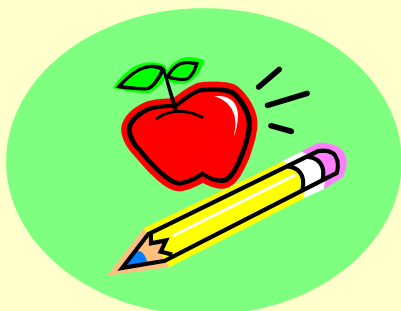
First Grade Newsletter

Literacy Corner...

Vowel Patterns!

1st grade is continuing to learn all about vowel patterns in words. What do those vowels say when they are next to another vowel?

ee, ea, ai, and oa



We have begun our final science unit for the year. Ask your students what they know about planting seeds. Ask if your student's class has visited the school garden yet!

Science/Social Studies...

Japan

We are wrapping up our studies on Japan and will be celebrating with a donated lunch from Tokyo Joe's on Thursday April 26th.

Magnificent Math...

Measurement

Students have been discovering a variety of ways to measure objects. Get out some paperclips and try this at home.

PBS PAWS Updates...

Personal Responsibility is an important PAWS expectation. We all need to be responsible for ourselves and a little less responsible for our table mates and friends. Help your student to know when to be a helper and when to focus on themselves.

Classroom Reminders...

Tokyo Joe's donated lunch (rice and chicken) will be on Thursday April 26th during our regular lunch period. Students are permitted to bring their own lunch or purchase hot lunch.

Field trip permission forms for the Growing Gardens tour and activities are due back THIS Thursday April 26th. We will not be able to take siblings with on field trips.



Conversation Starters...

- What is the process to grow plants from seeds?
- How do you advance levels in Raz-kids?
- What should you do if your friends want to play chase games?
- What reading strategy are you working on during Daily 5?
- How can you find the length of something?

Do you have...?

...15 minutes a day to listen to your child read? Students who read out-loud make more progress in their fluency and intonation. Encourage your child to read, read, read!

Upcoming Events

April 26th: Lunch from Tokyo Joe's

April 26th: Field-trip permission slips & \$4 activity fee due back

May 10th: Growing Gardens Field Trip (9am – noon)

May 14th: PE Fitness Fun Day 12:30 – 2pm

Thank You for...!

...reading with your child every day and encouraging them to talk about the sequence of events (i.e. first, next, then, suddenly, finally)