

# Our 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Classroom News



The Week of August 27th - 31st

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## Important Info

- Last week we worked on short 'a' words. This week we will be working on short 'i' words!
- At least ONE challenge of the week is due every Friday. Students brought home a homework notebook that they can complete them in. They do not have to bring that notebook back to school until it is due the following Friday. Students are not used to writing in notebooks yet, so as long as they complete one with a date at the top, it should be good to go! I am not picky about this! The first Challenge of the Week will be due August 31st.
- ➤ If you have any kid friendly magazines with facts in it that you want to get rid of, I would gladly take them off your hands! <sup>②</sup> We use them for non-fiction center and my magazines are looking a bit worn out!

#### Tech of the Week

Website of the Week - www.funbrain.com is always a fun website for students. It has games for math and reading and most are right on 1<sup>st</sup> grade level. We will use this website at least a couple times this school year.

App of the Week - <u>Make Dice</u> - Create math dice for your student to practice their math facts! You can make any kind of dice using this app!

## **Upcoming Events**

Sept. 3rd

NO SCHOOL

# Challenges of the Week

Math Challenge of the Week - We have been working on finding 2 numbers that equal another number. Give your child some numbers anywhere between 4 and 15 and see if they can come up with 2 numbers that make it. For example, if you pick the number 11, they may say 6 and 5 make 11 (6+5=11). To enrich your child more, give them a higher number that you think they can find what numbers make it.

Reading Challenge of the Week - Read a fiction book together and make connections with it (text-to-self connection)! How can the book relate to things that have happened in your life? You can have your child write about their text-to-self connection or you can write down what they say. For example, they might read about a boy who plays soccer and your child plays soccer too. If you want to enrich your child more, have them come up with a text-to-self and text-to-text (making a connection with another book) connection.

Writing Challenge of the Week - Make a list of topics with your child on what they can write about at home. Have them write this list of topics (at least 5 topics) in their notebooks so I can see what kind of things they like to write about! For example, a topic they might pick could be 'recess'.