

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



The Week of Feb. 26th - Mar. 2nd

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### Important Info

- We will be working on words that have long vowels spelled a\_e, o\_e, i\_e, u\_e, and e\_e this week.
- If anyone is wanting to help donate something to the classroom, we could really use some bean bag filler for our bean bag ©. I know that is not cheap, so no worries if you cannot donate! Any amount will help as our bean bag is almost flat!
- -Thank you all SO much for the snack donations you have provided recently! I am running out of room to store all of these snacks so no need to donate those for a while! I will definitely let you know if we need more!

#### Tech of the Week

Website of the Week: <u>THIS</u> website is a great resource for grammar! It has TONS of games that have each of the grammar skills we work on in school! <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/easygrammar4kids/">https://sites.google.com/site/easygrammar4kids/</a>

App of the Week: <u>Cramberry</u> is an app where students can create their own flashcards to study different things. This could be used for phonics sounds, addition /subtraction/ multiplication facts, odd and even numbers, etc. Challenge your child to create their own flashcards over something they know a lot about for a sibling to do! This app is free!

## Upcoming Events

March 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Charts Due

Spring Pictures (individual and class pic)

Visiting Author's Book Orders Due

March 9th - 19th NO SCHOOL

March 29<sup>th</sup> Author Tammi Sauer Visiting

## Challenges of the Week

Math Challenge of the Week: Have your child decide which makes more sense out of these sentences:

- -A man is 7 feet tall or a pencil is 7 feet tall
- -A shoe is 7 inches long or a penny is 7 inches long
- -An eraser is 7 cm long or a TV is 7 cm long
- -A book is 12 feet long or a carpet is 12 feet long
- -A water bottle is 12 inches tall or a chair is 12 inches tall
- -A car is 12 cm long or a crayon is 12 cm long

Use a ruler or tape measure to help your child identify how long each length is before guessing which one is more accurate. See if they are able to tell you the answer without checking a ruler or tape measure by the last one. For more of a challenge, have them come up with their own problems like this.

Reading Challenge of the Week: We have been comparing and contrasting 2 characters in stories. Have your child pick 2 characters from the same story of 2 different stories. Then have them compare and contrast them. They can draw a Venn diagram to help them do this or they can just make a list of things that are the same and things that are different between the characters!

Writing Challenge of the Week: Let your child free write for 15 minutes without stopping! You might even set up a timer for them. See what they come up with! Did they use periods? Did they use capitals? Did they add some descriptive words? Did they write at least 4 sentences? Did they use a beginning, middle, and end? By this time in 1st grade, the students should be doing all of these things on their own on a consistent basis.