



Our 1st Grade Classroom News



The Week of Oct. 16th - 20th

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Important Info

-Reminder that students need to bring a pumpkin (any size that they can carry) to class on Oct. 23rd (please not before this date) for our Pumpkin Theme Week.

-We will be working on r blend words (ex: grab, frog, brick, crust, drip, prom)

-Parents can join us in the library to help your child pick out books from the Book Fair on October 23rd from 2-2:25pm. If you cannot join us that day and you want your child to buy books, please send them with money in a bag and their name labeled on it. You can send me an email if there are certain things you don't or do want your child to buy and I will do my best to supervise that.

Tech of the Week

Website of the Week: -Extra math practice at home can be done by going to: <https://firstgradewebsites.weebly.com/math.html>
These games are directly related to our math program. I created this website last year to help me better assist the students but wanted to share it with you all as well. The games with the +++ mean they are much more difficult. Many students will not understand those games.

App of the Week: Addimals is a great app to practice addition! There are different games that require different addition strategies that really help student's master number sense.

Upcoming Events

Oct. 23 rd	Book Fair Class Time @2:00 in the library
Oct. 23-26	Parent Teacher Conferences / Pumpkin Theme Week
Oct. 26-30	No School
Oct. 31 st	Halloween Parade and Party
Nov. 1 st	Reading Logs Due

Challenges of the Week

Math Challenge of the Week: Last week we worked with a ten frame to visually see what numbers look like. A ten frame is 10 boxes (5 on top and 5 on bottom) with different numbers of counters (circles) filling the boxes. We created addition sentences 2 different ways. One way is we added the top row plus the bottom row of counters to find out how many counters in all. Another way is to add the number of filled boxes plus the number of empty boxes to see how many boxes there are in all. Go to the website listed below to see an online lesson I created if you don't understand this. Create around 3 ten frames and fill them with different number of counters. Then have your child come up with 2 addition sentences to go with each ten frame. Check out the link below for help with this:

<http://tinyurl.com/ogfsmc>

Reading Challenge of the Week: We have been practicing identifying the difference between fiction (made up) and non-fiction (facts) books. Have your child grab a handful of books from home. Then have them make a list of the fiction books and non-fiction books by putting the title of the book under each category!

Writing Challenge of the Week: We started writing personal narratives last week. Have your child write a short story explaining about a time they have gotten hurt. What happened first? Next? Last? How did it make them feel?