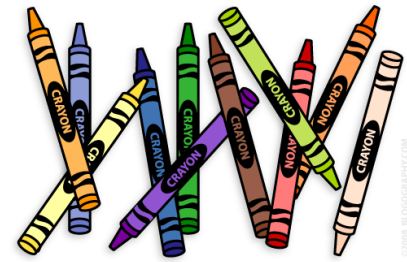




# Our 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Classroom News



The Week of Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> - November 3<sup>rd</sup>

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## Important Info

-Reminder that students need to bring a pumpkin (any size that they can carry) to class on Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> for our Pumpkin Theme Week.

-This newsletter is for October 23<sup>rd</sup> - November 3<sup>rd</sup> since we do not have school quite a bit these 2 weeks. **The Challenge of the Week will be due on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

-We are working on s blends (sk, sl, sm, sn, sp, st, sw)

-Because we have lunch so early in the day, kids who forget their snack really start to get hungry. I am hoping to get some snack donations so I can keep a stash in the class! Individually wrapped snacks are ideal so I can just hand the student a package. Any donation will be appreciated! Thanks so much!

## Tech of the Week

**Website of the Week:** Wacky Web Tales is a great website to help creativity, reading, and language arts skills! Students are asked a set of questions based on which wacky story they pick and they put in their answers into a story. The story comes out to be quite funny! The students can practice reading the stories fluently once it is made! Some students will definitely need parental support on this one but it is a GREAT challenge! <https://www.eduplace.com/tales/>

**App of the Week:** Counting Money is a great app because you can set it up as hard or easy as your child needs. Students learn the value of the coins and learn how to count mixed coins at the same time. For most of the class, I would suggest doing the beginner level, 10 questions, timer off, and DO show the coins total to start off with on the settings.

## Upcoming Events

Oct. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Class Book Fair Time @ 2:00
Oct. 23 <sup>rd</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup>	Pumpkin Theme Week Parent/Teacher Conferences
Oct. 26 <sup>th</sup> -30 <sup>th</sup>	No School
Oct. 31 <sup>st</sup>	Halloween Parade / Party @ 2:30
Nov. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Reading Logs Due

## Challenges of the Week

**Math Challenge of the Week:** We have been using cubes, paperclips, and straws to measure different items around our classroom. Have your child measure between 3-5 items around their house using a ruler or measuring tape using inches. Have them write down what objects they measured and how long each object was!

**Reading Challenge of the Week:** Have your child read a fiction book and then describe the problem in the book. Then have your child read a non-fiction book and write down at least 1 important fact from that book. We are still working on identifying the difference between fiction and non-fiction books.

**Writing Challenge of the Week:** We have been practicing reading our writing AS we write rather than waiting until we finish writing our stories. Have your child write about whatever they want. WHILE they are writing, have them go back and reread to you what they wrote to make sure it makes sense and to see if they need to make any corrections. Do this a couple of times while they write to help them get used to stopping in the middle of their writing to check how the story sounds so far.

**CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK DUE ON NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>!**