



Our 1st Grade Classroom News



The Week of Feb. 25th - Mar. 1st

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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.

-We have changed the date for our field trip to the Folly Theater from March 29th to April 22nd. We originally wanted that date because the show was better but found out we couldn't because it was supposed to be a professional development day. Now that they have made that a day with kids, we decided to change it. It will be a show about the Magic School Bus! We are very excited! Reminder that this field trip is for kids and teachers only because of limited space and tickets.

Tech of the Week

Website of the Week: [THIS](https://sites.google.com/site/easygrammar4kids/) website is a great resource for grammar! It has TONS of games that have each of the grammar skills we work on in school!

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App of the Week: [Cramberry](#) 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

Feb. 25 th	Extended Days start (dismiss at 3:45)
Feb. 28 th	Spring Pictures (class pics too)
Mar. 8-18 th	No School
Apr. 2 nd	1 st Grade Musical (@2:30 in gym)
Apr. 22 nd	Folly Theater

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 or 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.