



March 25, 2019
Mrs. Dafoe's



Fantastic First Graders

Welcome back! I hope you enjoyed your spring break. I am so excited to hear all about what the kids did over break. As we enter 4th quarter, we will work intensely to prepare your child for 2nd grade. I can't stress enough how important it is for your child to be reading to you daily, even if it's for a short time. The stories are getting more complex, and I want to make sure the kids are reading for meaning, being able to comprehend what they have read. Math problems will also require a lot of higher order thinking at this point. Your child will have more of a solid foundation if they know their math facts 0-20, addition and subtraction for quick recall. **The kids should also be reading directions by themselves or with little assistance. We are trying to get these kids to be more independent.

Reminder No homework this week!

Reading This week we will review what good readers do. We'll review strategies we use when reading such as using expression, stopping at periods, reading for meaning, using picture clues, etc.

Spelling No spelling test this week!

We will be taking our Foundations test and these words are a review of our long vowels we have previously taught!

Writing This week we will write about our spring break and write spring poetry.

Math We will work on fractions.



Wanted

- Glue Sticks
- Kleenex
- Paper towel



March Birthdays

Fiona – March 2nd
Drake – March 6th
Zia – March 14th

Upcoming Experts

April 1st - Plants - Kai
April 8th - Butterflies - Tyler
April 15th - Earth Day - Beckam
April 22nd - AZ Symbols- Catherine
April 29th - Cinco de Mayo - Elijah
May 6th - Insects - Lauren

**All of the information on becoming an expert is posted on my website with details. If you have further questions, let me know.*

Dates to Remember

March 11- March 25 Intersession
March 26 - Students Return, permission slips and volunteer forms come home
March 29 - field trip permission slips and volunteer forms due
April 10 - Children's Museum Field Trip (all volunteers welcome)
April 15 - Art Masterpiece, Zoner and the Drip play
April 19 - No School (Good Friday)
April 25 - Spring Book Fair starts
April 26th - Spring Carnival
May 1st - First Grade Planning Day

Enjoy your short week!

~Mrs. Wendy Dafoe~

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