



April 25, 2022  
Mrs. Dafoe's



# Fantastic First Graders

It's that time of year when the kids start getting restless and are excited to finish school. However, we still have so much learning to do before we send the kids to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. It is important your child continue to read at home at least 10 minutes a night as well as practice math facts for quick recall, 0-18. We are prepared to do end of the year assessments and want your child to do his or her very best! Continue having them get plenty of rest and remind them how proud you are of them! The 1<sup>st</sup> graders have grown immensely-academically, physically, socially, emotionally and mentally.

**Reading** This week our texts are Days with Frog and Toad and Measuring Weather

**Genre** Fantasy and Informational text

**Target skill** Story Structure

**Writing** Opinion Writing

**Spelling** This week we will be learning about long I words with the patterns – igh, -y and -ie. We will highlight words in books, play spelling battleship, do word sorts, practice white board spelling and unscramble sentences.

**Spelling words this week** my, try, sky, fly, by, dry, pie, cried, night, and light

**Challenge words** myself, brighter, and replies

**High Frequency Words (sight/trick words)**  
across, head, second, ball, heard, should, cried, large

**Vocabulary** Adjectives

**Math & Science** Also, as we get closer to the end of the school year, we will be doing a lot of number sense review including addition and subtraction in many different ways: games, story problems, double digit, wrap around games, incredible equations, etc. We want your child to have a solid number sense and be able to add & subtract for quick recall numbers 0-20 quickly. *\*Please help us by practicing at home and when you're on the go!*

**Social Studies** This week we will be learning about life cycles in nature! We will focus on from seed to plant.



**Yearbooks** We still have Yearbooks for sale! Yearbooks are \$25.00 each and will be distributed to students in late May. *\*Order yours now. Once they are gone, we can't order more! You will need to pay cash in the office.*

**Writing** We will be working on opinion writing and writing about story element. We will be getting ready for our end of the year animal research project. Friday we picked our animals...check your child's backpack for a letter giving you more information.

**Progress Reports** Your child's progress report are in Infinite Campus. Please look it over and discuss it with your child. If you have any further questions, I am always here for you and to help your child reach their fullest potential!

## April and May Birthdays

Dean – April 2  
Baylee – April 21  
Camryn – April 28  
Allison – May 25



## Upcoming Experts

April 25 – Life Cycles – Jackson  
May 9 – Insects - Alhan

*\*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

- April 25 – Book Fair Day
- April 27 – Children's Museum field trip
- April 29 – Storyteller, Jim Cogan
- May 4 – Substitute – First Grade Planning Day
- May 5 - K-2 Water Day, 9-10 am
- May 6 – Muffins with your favorite Miss
- May 10 – Substitute (Mrs. Dafoe's oldest graduates ASU), Art Masterpiece
- May 13 – Talent Show
- May 16 – Spirit Week, Animal Reports due
- May 18 – Visit a Second Grade classroom
- May 19 – Substitute (Mrs. Dafoe's youngest graduates high school)
- May 25 – Be Kind Assembly
- May 26 – Last Day, 11:40 release time

~Mrs. Wendy Dafoe~

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