

Nov. 8, 2021 Mrs. Dafoe's

# Fantastic First Graders



NO SCHOOL Thursday there will be no school to honor Veterans Day.

Reading This week our texts are How Leopard Got his Spots and The Rain Forest.

Genre Folktale & Informational text

Target skill Sequence of events

**Grammar** Commands

### Vocabulary Strategies Homophones

(A homophone is a word that is pronounced the same as another word but differs in meaning, and may differ in spelling.)

# Spelling

This week we will work on the diagraphs ch & tch. We have worked a lot on these diagraphs during FUNdations so the kids are already familiar with the sounds but need to work on deciding which one to use for spelling. The kids will practice more by playing spelling games, finding ch and tch words in books, doing word sorts and unscrambling sentences.

Spelling words this week: chin, chop, much, chip, rich, chick, match, pitch

Our challenge words are: teacher, chapter, and kitchen

High Frequency Words (sight/trick words): been, never, own, brown, off, very, know, out

First Grade Friendsgiving Our Friendsgiving will be Tues., Nov. 23rd. I know how busy this time of year is so please don't forget that your child's money is due on Friday for the feast. Please send the form back so we have an accurate count of what we need. If you are leaving for out of town early, please let me know so I can plan accordinally.

Invention Convention This year we will not be doing a class science project but will be inventing something to solve a problem. We will not be creating the actual inventions until January. I am asking if parents could start saving items that might be useful to create an invention. My thoughts were going toward empty laundry containers, Kleenex boxes, Pringles cans, empty milk jugs, etc. Regretfully, I do not have a ton of room to house all these items, so if you could wait until after the holidays to send them into class, I would appreciate it.

#### Upcoming Experts

Nov. 15- Seasons — Isaac Nov. 29 - Hanukkah — Baylee

Dec. 13 – Christmas Traditions – Camryn

Jan. 4 – Earth and Space – Jameson Jan. 10 – Martin Luther King, Jr. - Colton

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

November Birthdays
Liam - 6<sup>th</sup>
December Birthdays

Mrs. Dafoe- 1<sup>st</sup> Talia - 13<sup>th</sup>

## <u>Important Dates to Remember</u>

- Nov. 11 No school Veterans Day
- Nov. 12 Veterans Day Breakfast
- Nov. 19 PTO Daddy Daughter Dance 6-8 pm
- Nov. 22 Gingerbread Threads Begins
- Nov. 23 First Grade Friendsgiving
- Nov. 24-26 No School
- Dec. 8 DIBELS testing
- Dec. 9 Collection of Gingerbread Thread items
- Dec. 16 Mr. John's last day -retirement
- Dec. 17 Jan. 3 Winter Intersession
- Jan. 4 Return to school
- Jan. 17 No school -MLK Day



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"Even if it's a little thing, do something for those who need of help, something for which you get no pay but the privilege of doing it." ~Albert Schweitzer