

Nov. 15, 2021 Mrs. Dafoe's

Fantastic First Graders



Reading This week our texts are Seasons and Four Seasons for Animals

Genre Informational text

Target skill Cause and Effect

<u>Grammar</u> Contractions, punctuation (., ?, !), and subject verb agreement

Writing Informational writing

Spelling

This week we will work on the glued sounds of -ang, -ing, -ong, and -ung. We have been working on the glued sounds of -am, -an, and -all, so we know how to mark these sounds already.

Spelling words this week: ship, shop, which, when, whip, fish, shell, and graph

Our challenge words are: telephone, Phoenix, shocking

High Frequency Words (sight/trick words): down, fall, goes, green, grow, new, open, and yellow

Math We are starting our unit on place value. We will be working on being able to distinguish between the tens place and the ones place. This week we will really focus on the teen numbers learning how to use base 10 blocks and record our use of them in our math journals.

<u>Social Sciences</u> We will finish learning about the components of a good map (title, key, compass rose, symbols) and use maps to locate resources. We will discuss using those resources to live.

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.

Reading Reminders We are back to Baggy Book being every Monday. Thank you for your flexibility. Hopefully everyone is practicing their fluency passage. Please keep it in your child's homework folder. Your child will be retested on Wednesdays. If they can read 3 more words or do it 3 seconds faster, they will receive a new passage. Some kids are pulling their passages out of their desks and practicing during the day...AWESOME!

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 - 6th
December Birthdays
Mrs. Dafoe- 1st
Talia - 13th

<u>Important Dates to Remember</u>

- 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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