



MS. BROZIC

1ST GRADE

November 13, 2015

Important Dates

- We are continuing with our November kindness focus of Men's Health. With a donation of 25 cents or more the students will get a selfie taken with a mustache prop. We have currently raised \$120 for Men's Health!
- Tuesday, Nov. 17- Conferences 4-8 p.m.
- Fri. 11/13- Buckeye Pizza Bingo Night
- Mon. 11/16- PTA mtg. 6 p.m. in Library
- Tues. 11/17- Buckeye Spirit Day at Concord Pizza (I think I said BW3 before...sorry misprint!)
- Thanksgiving Break Nov. 25-29

Classroom News



Dear first grade families,

What a special week we have had!!! Thanks so all who are serving or have served in our armed forces. We had a very moving assembly on Veteran's Day. I would like to thank Sabrina's dad for making a special appearance!

We also had a special guest author and illustrator work with the students this week. Mrs. Longstaff is a parent of three students in the Riverside District. She has published a few books and told the students about her experiences as an author/illustrator. The students then did an activity with her to design a book cover for a story. We are working on a VERY short book to go with the cover they designed! I am so encouraged by the students' enthusiasm with writing!

More writing excitement....thanks so much to everyone who brought in a Thankful Bag. Mrs. Hartmann (our literacy coordinator) come into our class to do an interactive writing lesson with the students. We are still working on getting through all of the bags! The students are working so hard with their writing!

The last piece of very exciting news for our class this week is that we have a new student in our class!!!! Our friend Catherine has joined us from Hadden Elementary School! She is a wonderful addition to our class!! The students have been so helpful to her and have helped her feel welcome in our class! We now have 19 students in our class!!! Welcome to Catherine and her family!

Birthdays

- Lizette- Nov. 6



This weather has been CRAZY....One day it is super warm and the next day it is freezing!! Please make sure that your child is wearing a winter coat to school on cold days. They will be going outside for recess unless the wind-chill is really low. I have had some children try to leave school at the end of the day with no coat on too...I am trying to remind them to put on their coat before they leave!!!

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Lunch Menu

*Lunch choices are subject to change.

Monday: Chicken Fingers

Tuesday: You Build It Hot Dogs

Wednesday: French Toast Sticks

Thursday: Mac and Cheese

Friday: Kids' Choice



Student of the Week

Joey Gennert

Skippy Friend:

Jacob Passalacqua



What We're Learning

Reading: We are now really focusing on Fry words lists 3 and 4. It is really important that your child is working on their sight words. It will make reading in first grade so much easier for them once they master these words! List 3: there, an, which, do, their, will, other, out, then, these, use, each, she, how, if, up, about, many, them, so. List 4 words: some, would, like, into, has, two, write, see, no, could, her, make, him, time, look, more, go, number, way, people. (Your child does NOT need to spell these words, just read them by sight).

Grammar: We are working on nouns: people, places, things, and animals

**One of our main focuses in reading this quarter is with comprehension (understanding what we read). We have been doing a lot of connections (text/text, text/self, and text/world). We have been reading many books by Kevin Henkes to help make these connections.

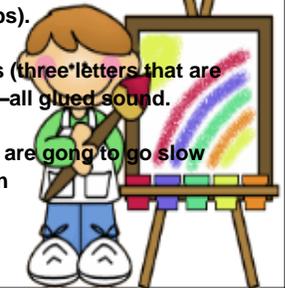
Phonics/Word Study: This week is a review week in Word Study. We will be practicing writing sentences (both telling and asking) with our bonus letter words. Please work on simple dictations at home.

Foundations- In Foundations we are starting new units. We are going to do a short visit to suffix -s. We add -s to a singular word to make it more than one (ex. one girl/many girls, one ship/many ships).

Then we will start learning about some glued sounds (three letters that are glued together). We have already learned about the -all glued sound.

We are adding the sounds of ang, ung, ong, ing. We are going to go slow with these since this is a difficult concept for many in

first grade!



Math- We will continue to work on adding numbers when the sum will be greater than 10. It is helpful if the students know the "ten's pairs" (numbers that equal 10). Ask your child if they can show you these with the rainbow we made. (ex. 0&10, 1&9, 2&8, 3&7, 4&6, 5&5). We will be doing some challenging concepts during these lessons, so if your child is not understanding it at first it's OK. We do a lot of review. Our class motto is "Keep Calm and Math On"!!

S.S.- We will be talking a LOT about Thanksgiving in the next few weeks. Our one big S.S. standard in first grade is to compare what life is like now to long ago. Studying the first Thanksgiving is a perfect way to learn about this.

Word Study words for review week: from, shell, cuff, mess, fill, puff, his, kiss, as, fuss, wall, bell, mall, small, saw, we, pass, have, toss, miss, ball, off, yell, huff, chill, call. *Fri. will be a dictation test.