



MS. BROZIC

1ST GRADE

September 17, 2015

Important Dates

- **Thursday 9/17- Constitution Day!!**
- **Friday 9/18 (most Fridays)- Riverside Pride Day (wear black/gold or Riverside clothes if possible)**
- **Thursday 9/24- East Coast Custard Spirit Day for Buckeye!!!** (If you mention Buckeye when you make a purchase a portion of the proceeds go to Buckeye)!

Birthdays

- Shannon- Sept. 22



Classroom News



Dear first grade families,

So much is going on in first grade! It is so amazing to see the progress the students are making! We had two days of MAP testing this week, and we are done!! Yay! We will now be able to use the Computer Lab and Library next week!! Your child should be able to check out library books on Wednesday. **Please make sure that books are returned each week by Wednesday!** I am looking for any volunteers that might be able to help out especially during our library time (Wednesdays 1:20-1:55p.m.) or the Computer Lab (Tuesdays 1:20-1:55 p.m.). I know that many people work so don't worry about it if you can't help!

Your child should have brought home their log-in information for www.raz-kids.com this week. Please encourage your child to read **at least 60 min. a week!** Raz-kids is a beautiful program because your child can read books at their level. There is a fun component to this site where students earn stars to build things. I told them they **MUST** do the reading portion first before they go to the fun part! Also, please make sure that your child starts on the "Reading Assignment" section because these are the books at their level. There is also a "Book Room" with other books, poems, songs, activities that they can do after reading at their assignment level. We will also be having a math website that your child will be using but I am going to wait a few weeks to send that information home to you. If you need any help with any of this **please just let me know!!! Have fun and happy reading!!**

Literacy Tip: We have been working on spelling CVC (short vowel words) in Unit 2 of Foundations (Phonics program). We will start our first word study unit next week. This will be with short vowel words.

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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

*Pizza, Salad, and Grab & Go are also options everyday!



Student of the Week

Congratulations

To

Madeline Burnheimer

We hope you enjoy your special week!

Skippyjon Jones' Friend:

Matteo Alvarez



What We're Learning

Reading: We are continuing to work on our Daily 5. We have now been working on Read to Self and Work on Writing. For Work on Writing students will be journal writing, writing lists, and writing the room. Next week I will introduce Listening to Reading (reading on the computers) and word work (working with our Word Study words). I have been meeting with small reading groups to work on more concepts for their individual reading needs. Books will be coming home next week for you to read at home. **(If I ever send home a paper book, just keep it at home. If I send home an actual book, please send it back after reading because it belongs to me).**

Phonics/Word Study: We have been working on reading and writing short vowel words (CVC words). Please make sure your child knows all of the short vowel sounds. Next week you will get a list of words that we will be working on for word study. These words follow the same CVC pattern we have been working on in class. We are trying something new this year. Instead of sending home a homework packet for you to work on the words. We will send home a list of ideas of how you can practice the words. However your child wants to study them is fine. They will have a test over the words on the last day of each week.

Math: We are still working on number bonds and solving story problems with numbers to 10. **The students are getting so much better with this. We do not send home weekly math packets for homework because each day's problem set will help your child with the homework.**



Science/Social Studies: I am amazed by how interested this class is in Science and Social Studies! Today was Constitution Day and the discussion we had and the questions they asked were unbelievable! In Social Studies we have also been learning about John Chapman (Johnny Appleseed). In Science we started our study of Energy. We are now learning about how we get energy from the sun!

Word Study Words for next week:

run set mop fit hat and cap
of dot fun pen rid the

*****Students will have a test on these words on**

Friday September 25