



MS. BROZIC

1ST GRADE

November 19, 2015

- Thanksgiving Break Nov. 25-29
We will not have school next Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. **Happy Thanksgiving!!**
- Dec. 5 & 6- Holiday shopping at 5 Below!
- **Wed. December 12- Holiday Shopping at school (1:15-1:50 p.m.)**
- I know this is looking ahead, but with our Year of Caring, we are going to do Warm Hands in Friendship next month. First grade has done this for many years at Buckeye. In December we will be collecting new hats, gloves, mittens, underwear for those in need. I want to let you know ahead of time in case you are out shopping in the next few weeks!

Birthdays

- Lizette- Nov. 6



Classroom News

Dear first grade families,



I had a great time meeting with you all for conferences! It is wonderful that the children have such supportive families! Thanks so much for taking time out to meet with me! We also had a great time at Pizza Bingo last week! Our PTA does so much for our school!!! Thanks to all who helped in some way for Pizza Bingo! This week is going to be a VERY short week!!! We only will come to school Monday and Tuesday. We will then be off for Thanksgiving break and return to school on Monday, November 30. Since it is such a short week we will NOT be having a word study assessment. However, since we are starting a new unit of glued sounds (which can be very tricky for first graders) I am going to give you the words NOW so you can start working with them over the long break!! **Also in class we have been working on an alphabet Reader's Theater of the first Thanksgiving.** I asked the students as an extra homework to please practice reading their parts at home. **These do NOT need to be memorized at all!!** I just want the students to get used to reading out loud in front of their peers. I will be there to help them read if they are having trouble, but it will be very helpful to practice at home too! Please keep them in their take home folder so they can practice at school too! I have seen a HUGE increase in the children's excitement with reading and writing in just this week!! Please work on their sight words at home! This will make first grade reading so much easier for them! **Check out our webpage...under the communications section I have finally figured out how to upload some pictures!!**

Please remind your child to bring a heavy jacket, gloves, and hats for recess when it is cold. I have given the recess aides some extra gloves/mittens for when it is cold outside but they can't keep up with the number of kids who ask for them. I think we are just not into the cold weather groove yet!! Let me know if your child needs any warm winter accessories!

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Lunch Menu

*Lunch choices are subject to change.

Monday: Chicken Nuggets

Tuesday: You Build It Baked Potato



Student of the Week

Joey Gennert

Skippy Friend:

Jacob Passalacqua



What We're Learning

Reading: I will be testing the students on Fry words lists 3 and 4 when we return next week. 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). **We have started learning about fact/opinion in reading and writing. This is a new and difficult concept for most first graders. Please work on it at home. **We are also focusing on comprehension strategies to help us remember what we are reading.

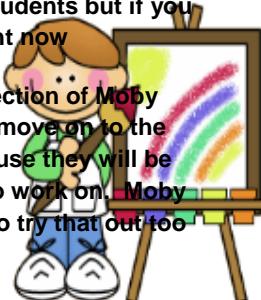
Grammar: We are working on proper nouns. Special people, places, things (that start with a capital letter). Next we will focus on verbs (action words)

Phonics/Word Study: We began our phonics/word study on glued sounds. We are starting with words that end in – ang, ing, ong, and ung. We will have a test over these words next Friday. The following week we will add the glued sounds of –ank, ink, onk, unk. The students are starting to get these sounds but please work on them at home!!

Math- One thing that I would really like your child to do at home (if they have the internet) is to work on www.mobymax.com

I have sent home logo-in information with the students but if you need it again please just let me know. **For right now

I would like students to work on the numbers section of Moby Max. If they are doing well with that have them move on to the math section. Try not to help them at first because they will be taking a placement test to see what they need to work on. Moby Max also has reading skills if your child wants to try that out too (but that is new to me)!!



S.S.- We are continuing our focus of the First Thanksgiving! We are comparing our lives to how the Pilgrims/Native Americans lived!

Word Study words : long, rang, stung, kings, wings, thing, lungs, song, fangs, bang, were, what, put

**We will have a test on these words next Friday, December 4.