

First Grade Newsletter

Challenge Charter School

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May Core Virtue: Gentleness - Treating others with kind words and mild manners

Core Knowledge Saying: "If at first you don't

succeed, try, try again."



5/6 Specials Day

5/6 Evening of the Arts

5/16 Specials Day

5/24 End of the Year Assembly

5/25 Students last day (1/2 day)

What we are learning the week of: May 9 - 13

English Language Arts

Phonics: This week the student's will be reviewing the long /oe/ and r-controlled yowel sounds.



Reading/Grammar: Students will be reading stories from their in-class readers called, "The Long Cab Ride," "The Vote", and "Mister Gomez." We will be working on answering questions from the story in complete sentences.

Math

In math, the students will be learning how to tell time to the hour and half hour. The kids will finish first grade math by learning about fractions!

Students will take their math test on Friday, May 20th.

Please continue to practice your **math facts** at home!



Social Studies

In Frontier Explores, students learned how the United States doubled in size from the "Louisiana Purchase".



In Fairy Tales, students have heard all the stories in the domain. We will be finishing up the domain, with a day of fun, which consists of STEM rotations building castles with various supplies!

Core Knowledge is #1!

We get it done with fun!!

Hands-on, Right on! Integrated Science,
Social Studies, Math, and Lanquage Arts!



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Important information for: May 9 - 13

Music

This week in music the students had the opportunity to learn about Mexico's Independence Day and our celebration of it on May 5th!

They had so much fun learning all the different steps to the "Mexican Hat Dance"!

Ask your child to help you create a sombrero of your own and teach you the steps!



Book Exchange Event

CCS is excited to announce we have another family event happening Thursday, May 19th! Here is how it works.

Donate gently used

children's books for tickets (1 ticket = 2 books) **5/11-5/18**

Come to the event Thursday, May 19 **5:30-7:00** in the cafeteria.

Shop the "new to you" books and exchange your tickets for books!



Spelling Words

- 1. code
- 2. vote
- 3. ride
- 4. better
- 5. airport
- 6. holiday
- 7. rainforests
 - 8. desert
 - 9. earth
 - 10. dessert

Spelling test on Friday, May 13th.

Thanking all Scientists!!

Thank you, scientists, for reaching out! We have planned a range of scientists to come in! An email will go out soon if you were selected!



Sight Words

This week's sight words are:

own, below, country, plant, last, school, father, keep, tree, never, start, city, earth, eye, light Please practice these words each night! The sight words are on tests, worksheets, and in all texts we read. Mastering sight words is a huge part of your child's reading fluency!

Strategies:

- Write the words in chalk, with paint, build with legos, etc
- Flashcards compete against a family member!
- Book detective! Find all your words in your favorite book.