



First Grade Newsletter



Challenge Charter School

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November 12th, 2021
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Wonder— stop and say: “wow!” to delight in beauty and mystery

Stewardship— caring well for the gifts given to us - our life, our world, our talents, and those entrusted to our care

Sayings

“the More the Merrier”

Spelling

Our next spelling test will be Friday, November 19th.

Please practice spelling these words each night!

coin
cloud
toy
claw
oil
proud
point
draw
august
enjoy

Sight Words

We need parent help for sight words! Your child will bring home their list of words to work on each week.

Please spend time each night going over sight words with your child.

Remember there is a total of 150 words in 1st grade. These words need to be known by “sight”, NOT by sounding them out.

around, form,
three, small, set

Reading Skills

This week we will learn the sounds /aw/ and /au/. Students will be reading these new sounds in their Skills reader as well as using these sounds to write complete sentences. Please review these sounds every night to help with mastery. Mastering these new sounds will also build your child’s reading fluency.



Important Dates:

11/18 Specials

11/19 Report Cards go home—please return a signed copy to your teacher

11/22-11/26 Thanksgiving Break—No school! Enjoy your break!

12/3 Specials

Donations!!

- Sharpened Pencils
- Winter stickers
- Lysol wipes

Core Knowledge is #1!

We get it done with fun!!

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



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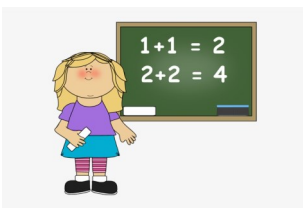


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Math

This week we will continue to master our strategies with addition and subtractions. Students will be learning how to make ten to subtraction, build fact families, and use addition and subtract in word problems.

We are continuing to have Mad Dog Math timed tests in class! As they come home, practice the facts in addition and subtraction. In class the students get two minutes to complete 20 problems!



Social Studies

We have spent time learning about Mesopotamia and Ancient Egypt. Now we will go back in time and learn about the Mayan culture. Students will complete a packet, which will include key vocabulary words and comprehension questions to help them understand how the Mayan people lived.

Word Work:

Harvest

Noiselessly

Market



Music

Students will continue learning how music is written down in a special way. They will continue learning the following music notations.

(Whole note, half note, quarter note)

We are excited to see what songs we will sing next week! Ask your child what they have been learning about in music class!



COMMUNICATION CORNER:

Morning Drop Off: Please remind your child to follow the rules of morning recess. The rules are the same for all recesses. We appreciate your support.

Reminder: please help your child to read the directions of his/her homework each night. This will help them to practice reading their directions of reading skills tests.

Please continue to send your child to school with a healthy snack!

Uniforms!

Please be aware of the CCS Uniform policy! We appreciate those of you that are diligent about keeping your child's uniform up to code! Please remember the following: Hair bows should not be larger than a fist; clothes cannot be more than 1 size larger than normal size (no baggy pants/skirts); Clothes must be Dennis brand (check out White Dove for great deals!) As the weather starts to cool down, please make sure your child has their name in their sweater or jacket. Only a red, blue, or white, solid jacket is allowed in the classroom.