

First Grade Monday Letter

September 12th – 16th

Dear Parents,

Wow! We made it through our first week of First Grade. We have learned so much about First Grade and keeping our desks neat. I am glad I got to meet each of you at Back to School Night! If you have any questions, please feel free to ask.

Please send in your Library slips by Monday, 9/19, if you have not done so already. If your child doesn't have one, they will not be able to check out a book. **In First Grade, library books stay here at school. They will not be coming home.** We use them throughout the day.

We have an informational meeting about the state of our school this Wednesday, September 14th at 7:00 p.m. in Room I. Come and join us!

Have a great week!

Mrs. Johnson

Key Concepts for the Week

Phonics: We have been learning to mark short vowels with a “happy face” like this:

cat tub Bill dog God

- We will be learning how to mark the long vowels

bike pail toad tea size

- Matching the word to the picture.
- Recognizing the rule for **K** and **C**:

K comes before the vowels *i* and *e*.

C comes before the vowels *a*, *o* and *u*.

Some examples: cap keep kit cone cub

Practice Phonics Chart 10a: The test will be on **Thursday, 9/15**
st in stop, pl in plane, fr in frog, tr in train, e in me,
y in fly, o in go, ay in pray, sh in ship

Looking ahead: For test on Chart 10b, Thursday, 9/22

(th in thick, th in this, bl in block, cl in clock, fl in flake, gl in glue, br in bride, dr in drum, pr in pray)

Math:

- Recognizing and writing number words
- Filling in missing numbers 1-20
- Before and after numbers
- Addition problems
- Greater and lesser numbers
- Patterning colors

Language: Writing sentences using a period. Working with short-vowel words.

Science: Space

History: Flag Book

Bible: Creation: Days 4-7

Bible Verse: “God saw all he had made and it was good”
Genesis 1:31a

Spelling: Study for **Test** this **Friday 9/16**. Please study them out of order.

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| 1. man | 6. net |
| 2. ran | 7. sit |
| 3. sun | 8. cub |
| 4. bus | 9. a (pronounced u as in duck) |
| 5. hot | 10. the |

Looking ahead for Friday, 9/23 Spelling List 2 (coat, goat, boat, bean, read, made, game, ride, to, the)

Homework

Monday: Math and Phonics homework given, Study Phonics rules, spelling words, and Bible verse

Tuesday: Study spelling words, Bible verse and Phonics rules

Wednesday: All written homework due. Study spelling words, Bible verse and Phonics rules

Thursday: Phonics Test. Study spelling words and Bible verse

Friday: Spelling Test. Bible Verse due.