

First Grade Monday Letter

October 3rd - 7th

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all of your help with studying for the Space unit test last week! All tests from Friday will be coming home today in backpack folders. On Friday, I sent a form home requesting written information about our school for our newspaper. Please return them by Tuesday (10/4) so we can include your comments.

This week's Math homework involves reading. You may help your child read the word problems or you can read them to your child if they are struggling with reading them. You can Help them think through the answers, but don't do it for them!!

Family Night is coming October 6th. We would like to encourage each student to make a hat for the hat contest!

Due to the Fall Family Night on **Thursday, October 6th**, the **Spelling** test will be on Thursday morning this week along with our Phonics test. Bible verse will still be said on Friday in class.

This Friday my family and I will be headed to Fresno for the weekend so Bekah can compete in the Clovis Cross Country Invitational with her team. I am very happy to tell you that Mrs. Sherill Johnson will be our substitute.

Looking ahead:

Friday, October 14th: Progress Reports will be sent home

Tuesday, October 18th : Our first field trip to the pumpkin patch; more information to follow. Our room parents will be calling and arranging drivers.

Friday, October 21st: Minimum Day...12:30 p.m. dismissal

Wednesday, October 26th: School Picture Retakes & Book-It due

Thursday, October 27th: Skate Night

Have a great week! Mrs. Johnson

****** Key Concepts for the Week ******

Phonics: On Thursday, October 6th, our phonics test will cover Chart 11b (spr in sprain, scr in scream, squ in squeak, sn in snack, sl in sleep, str in stream, sw in swim, thr in three)

*****Review these spelling words for the phonics test: coat, goat, boat, bean, read, made, game, ride, to, the**

Reviewing- circling the phonics rules and marking the vowels

• Rhyming words *Compound words

Looking ahead: October 13th phonics rules: ou in out , ow in owl, ow in bowl, er in verse, ur in nurse, ir in bird, oi in coin, oy in boy.

Math:

- Addition Unit using manipulatives to solve and write equations
- Drill & practice of adding 2 and 3 to a number
- Greater and lesser numbers
- Ordinal numbers
- Solving word problems

Language: Writing Sentences with a capital letter and a period
Choosing the best word for a sentence

Science: Seasons & Plant growth using the pumpkin sequence.

History: Map skills

Bible: Noah/Abraham **Character Education:** Enthusiasm

Bible verse: **Get wisdom, get understanding; so do not forget my words
or swerve from them. Proverbs 4:5**

Spelling: **Test on Thursday, October 6th - Practice writing every
night!!**

New Spelling Rule: When you hear a **k** sound at the end of a
word and the vowel is short, write **ck**. If the vowel is long, write a
k and a silent **e**.

**1. back 2. bake 3. lick 4. like 5. snack 6. snake
7. brick 8. clock 9. shake 10. broke 11. come 12. to**

Looking Ahead to Friday 10/9: 1. day 2. play 3. pray 4. gray 5. stay 6. spray 7. clay 8. way
9. stray 10. hay 11. you 12. to

P.E. Throwing Skills, Bridges games, Astronaut Exercises, Aviator

Spanish: Review family members and rooms in the house

HOMEWORK: Practice vocabulary on Page 74

Music: Introduction to the Brass family: emphasis on the trumpet

Computer: Proper logging on and logging off steps. Review finger placement on the keyboard

Homework Schedule

Study nightly: Phonics Rules and review words, Spelling words and Bible verse

Monday: Phonics worksheet (Rhyming), Reading

Tuesday: Math worksheet (word problems), Reading

Wednesday: Reading

Thursday: No Reading! Family Night 6:00-8:00 p.m.