

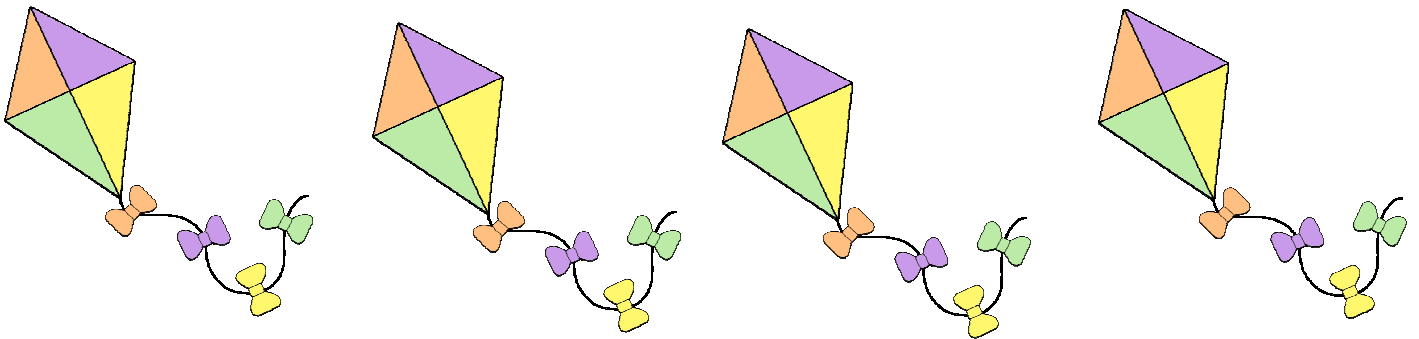
# First Grade News

Our word for the month is **SELF-DISCIPLINE**. To work hard, to control your emotions, actions and impulses, and to give your best in every situation.



**Reading:** By the end of this unit, your child should be able to:

1. read using all the strategies he/she knows to tackle hard words and tricky parts of books.
2. work with a partner to tackle tricky parts of his/her reading.
3. use accuracy strategies to self-correct when he/she reads.
4. use comprehension strategies to monitor his/her understanding as he/she reads.
5. read smoothly, with expression when reading aloud to others.



**Writing:** By the end of this unit, your child should be able to:

1. invent characters and small moment adventures to write many books in a series.
2. make his/her fiction writing more realistic by adding details.
3. have a 'can do' attitude and give himself/herself 'orders' to keep writing.
4. make a satisfying ending to his/her story.
5. make courageous word choices and attempt to spell these challenging words.
6. use a checklist to revise and edit his/her writing.
7. set own goals to improve his/her writing.



- Math:** This month the students will work on the following skills:
1. add within 100 using 10's and 1's.
  2. find 10 more than a number.
  3. find 10 less than a number.
  4. subtract using 10's.



**High Frequency Words:**

Word List E—little, two, going, here, but, that, said, over, don't, our, what, with, three, their, where, want, today, home, down, under, much, love, know, take, let

Students should know how to read these words in books and spell these words correctly in their writing.



**Special Activities & Announcements:**

- +Read Across America is March 3-7th.
- +Hat Day is Tuesday, March 4th. Please bring a canned good for the Food Pantry.
- +Tuesday, March 4th, is McTeacher Night from 4-8 PM at the Chestnut Expressway McDonalds. Proceeds go to help WS student Olivia Eaton.
- +The first grade music program will be Thursday, March 6th. We will have programs at 3:00 & 6:30 in the cafeteria.
- +Third quarter ends Friday, March 7th, with grade cards going home March 18th.
- +School will dismiss at 12:30 PM Friday, March 7th.
- +Spring Break—No school for students March 10th –14th.
- +Our Tiger Pride Assembly will be Tuesday, March 25, from 2:30-3:30 PM in the cafeteria.
- +Movie Night is Friday, March 28th from 6-7:30 PM in the cafeteria.
- +Book-It forms are due the last school day of the month (Monday, March 31st). This is the last month for the Book-It program, but please continue to read with your child each night.
- +Please send your child to school prepared to go out in cold weather for recess. Hats, hoods or earmuffs, and mittens/gloves are suggested.

