



# 1st Grade News!

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Dear Families,

Can you believe it's Spring? We ALL definitely have spring fever! It will take some extra effort and discipline to keep learning until the end! Please help reinforce to your child the importance of still following directions and being respectful at school. Thank YOU for all your support!

As we approach May, please keep in mind that there are many special days that will be happening. Please make sure you are checking your child's Take Home folder DAILY. All the information will be found in your child's folder.

Please Remember your child needs to be reading EVERY night! This will help increase their sight word recognition and Fluency. Don't forget to record the book on the reading log in their Take Home Folder. Thanks for all your support! Remember we are all a TEAM!

As always if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us via e-mail or at 554-2350.

Have a GREAT Week!

The 1st Grade Team ☺

~ Mrs. McGregor, Mrs. Pile, Ms. Rudd and Ms. Strohm

## Words to Remember

Here are the sight words we will focus on in the month of April. Please practice reading these words at home with your child:

sound	home	us	move
try	kind	hand	only
large	put	back	most
things	just	another	through
old	great	mother	much
line	different	even	means

## Upcoming Events

April 12<sup>th</sup>: Field Trip to Great Plain Nature Center & Riverside Park-Bring Sack Lunch

April 13<sup>th</sup>: Picture Money Due

\*Please return any pictures you do not want to purchase

April 14<sup>th</sup>: NO SCHOOL

April 17<sup>th</sup>: NO SCHOOL



## Here's What we are Learning!

### READING

Your child should be able to read short vowel words (cvc words), words with consonant digraphs and blends. We will continue to focus on words with long vowels (cvce and vowel digraphs) and multisyllabic words. Our stories this month focus around friends, plants, and insects. Continue to practice reading at home with your child. They should be able to read short vowel words and all their sight words in their books.

### MATH

We will be finishing up Unit 7 and start Unit 8! We will learn about attributes of shapes, compose and decompose composite shapes, and divide shapes into halves and fourths. We will also continue to tell time and use place value to add and subtract larger numbers!

Continue to practice addition and subtraction facts at home.



### \*NEW\*Reminders

1. It is the time of year for flip flops. Please make sure you check with your child when their PE day is. Make sure they wear tennis shoes on these days, or bring a change of shoes, so they can better participate in PE.
2. Remember to check your child's Take Home Folder EVERY DAY, as we approach May there will be many events going on and you will find the information in your child's folder.

**Thank you for your support and cooperation!**