First Grade Monday Letter
November 2nd-6th

Dear Parents,

We are starting on our Thanksgiving projects this week. Throughout this month we will be making butter, grinding our own flour and making pilgrim-style bread along with other projects. We are in need of 15 or more, clean baby food jars with lids by Friday, 11/20.

Parent conference slips are attached to this Monday Letter. If for some reason you need to change you appointment time, please call the office.

****The yellow Book- It reading logs are due by **Wednesday! All 20 books need to be recorded on the log to receive a pizza certificate.**

Our spelling list increases to 15 words this week. There will be 15 words for the rest of the year. It is very important that you study each night, either verbal or written. Try studying in the car on the way to afternoon activities or home from school! By having this captive audience, it will cut your sitting time for doing homework. (This works great for the phonics rules, too!)

Each year the school puts together Thanksgiving dinners for needy families. Our class will be supplying the stuffing mix. We are asking each child to bring in a box of dry stuffing mix by Friday, November 20th.

Dates to remember:

- **Book-It due by Wednesday.**
- **Wednesday, November 11th - no school—Veteran's day**

Have a great week!

Key Concepts for the Week

Phonics: On Thursday, November 5th, our phonics test will be on 13b. Please make sure that you are practicing saying and writing these sounds!

(onk in honk, unk in spunk, ar in stars, wa in wash, a- in asleep*, -ing in pointing*, y in baby, le in little)***include hyphens for prefixes and suffixes**

Review Spelling List 6 for test: 1. cuff 2. puff 3. stuff 4. sniff 5. cross 6. bless 7. will 8. well 9. bell 10. doll 11. of 12. you

Reviewing- circling the phonics rules and marking the vowels, rhyming words, compound words.

- New: Adding endings to root words.

Looking ahead: On Thursday, November 12th, Phonics rules: **Phonics Chart 14a. (-ed in wanted, -ed in looked, -ed in played, wh in whale, wh in who, tch in patch, ear in ear, ear in bear, ear in earth) ***include all hyphens**

Math: ***Reviewing:***

- Three number addition
- Addition Fact families 1-12
- Word problems
- Graphing

Learning:

- Subtraction 0-12

Language: We are still concentrating on sentence writing, beginning with a capital and ending with a period. We are working on identifying the correct sentence for the picture.

Science: Seasons and weather

Bible: Samuel

Bible verse: Trust in the Lord with all you heart and lean not on your own understanding. Proverbs 3:5

Looking ahead: In all your ways acknowledge him and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:6

Spelling: We add 3 more spelling words this week! ***Test on Friday-***

Practice every night!! Learn them in groups.

1. round 2. shout 3. cloud 4. south 5. cow

6. now 7. down 8. brown 9. clown 10. crown

11. town 12. slow 13. snow 14. what 15. was

Looking ahead: study for test on 11/13: her, serve, purse, burn, curl, turn, dirt, first, girl, sir, stir, shirt, third, said, have

P.E.: Presidential fitness challenge

Spanish: Review parts of the head. Introduce three sentences. (see pg. 153)

Music: Continue with Brass Instruments

Computer: Each child has a baseline typing score. We will work to increase it this week.

Homework Schedule

Study nightly: Spelling, Phonics rules and Bible verse

Monday: Math ditto, Reading

Tuesday: Phonics ditto, Reading

Wednesday: Reading, Book-It due by today

Thursday: Reading