

# Our First Grade Newsletter

November 2023

## Reading and Writing

Over the next few weeks, our class will learn that we are all valuable members of our families and community, and together we make our class a place to learn and grow. We will read books about neighborhoods, and we will learn that different people work together to help make our communities special. Children will also practice writing descriptive essays about what makes their world special.

Book of the Month: Bad Apple by Edward Hemingway

Theme: Friendship

## Social Studies

Children will learn about why families are so important and how they influence who we are. We will also learn about family traditions and celebrations and cultural similarities and differences. Children will also learn about needs and wants.

## Science

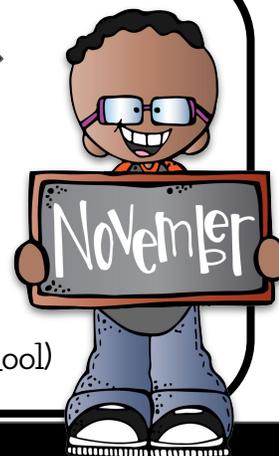
Children will continue the Animal and Plant Defenses unit. This unit presents an opportunity for students to delve deeply into understanding the structures that make up animals and plants, as well as how some of these structures can function as defenses against predators. They will also learn about what animals need to survive and grow.

## Math

Children will continue to learn and practice strategies for finding sums such as counting on, making ten, and making doubles. They will begin to learn to use different strategies to solve subtraction facts to 20 such as Make 10 to Subtract. The strategies in this topic will also help your child solve word problems.

## Important Dates

- 11/1: Koala Spirit Day
- 11/2: Parent Teacher Conferences
- 11/3: Picture Day
- 11/7: Election Day (No School)
- 11/17: Disney Day
- 11/22: Wear Plaid Day
- 11/23 & 11/24: Thanksgiving (No School)



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