Mrs. Jung * Mrs. Schneider First Grade Newsletter September 9, 2016



<u>Upcoming Events</u>

September 17- Grace Golf Outing (see office for more info, this is a great eventill)
September 25- Sing in Church 11am service
October 4- Back to School Open House
October 7-Grandparents Day and Early Dismissal

Spelling/Phonics/Grammar

Next week will be our first week with spelling words. Students will receive their 10 spelling words on Monday, you can also find the spelling words on our class website under the spelling/memory work link. For next week's words click on the Spelling List: CVC words. (consonant, Vowel, consonant)

Monday we will sort CVC words, Tuesday we will have vocabulary practice then on Wednesday we will have our first spelling test, Thursday we will do some more vocabulary building with CVC words then on Friday we will have our second spelling test (those who get a 100 on Wednesday's test will not have to take Friday's test).

Religion

Our story this week was the story of creation. We recalled facts and ideas we already knew, and built upon those with some new ideas and understandings. We are so thankful God made us as his best creation! We also listed ways to show our Spotlight virtue, gentleness.

Science/Social Studies

This week we kicked of our family social studies unit. We talked about what is a family, who is in a family and created our own drawings of our family. We had fun looking at ourselves in the past, in the present and what we think we will be in the future.

Workshops

We will have workshops four days a week We will ease into our routine in the next two weeks. Students will be placed into groups, and will have 4 different tasks each week They will meet in a small group with the teacher, work on word work, have independent time on a Chromebook activity, and one final check in with the teacher on strategies we used each week When we get into a good rhythm students will also need to take one Accelerated Reading Test per week We will let you know more about this when the time comes. This week we used workshop time to review vowels/consonants, basic grammar concepts, and read/take sight word assessments with Mrs. Schneider. Some of the vowel work may seem basic but it is so important that first graders really understand vowels, their sounds, and to put one in EVERY word.

Math

We started our first math lesson on Tuesday. We are working on identifying and writing numbers to 100. We also learned about more than and less than numbers using our hundreds chart. Students got their first math assignment on Wednesday! Reminder Math homework should take no longer than 5-10 minutes and should be returned to school the following morning.

This Week's Spotlights

Virtue: Gentleness Artist: Vincent Van Gogh Author: Kevin Henkes



Important Links

First Grade Class Website: www.gracefirstgrade.weebly.com School Sycamore Site https://app.sycamoreeducation.com/index.php?schoolid=3020