



Pumpkin Patch Trip - October 17th



No School Monday October 14th - Columbus Day



Scholastic School Book Fair October 15-21st



Show and Tell October 28th

October 15 - October 18

## COMING THIS WEEK...

### Literacy

#### Lesson 4 continued - Review all letters learned so far

In Foundations this week, we will be reviewing the lowercase formations and sounds learned so far and beginning to talk about letters a and g (review t, b, f, m, n, i, c, o, and u). Students should be able to match letters to sounds for letters learned thus far as well as isolate the beginning sounds and produce other words that have that beginning sound. In Journeys we are continuing lesson 4. We will continue to explore the theme of 'Jobs' through stories and poems. We will be working with skills such as , action verbs, reviewing nouns, synonyms, and beginning sounds. We will review all words for unit one this week. When we read this week, we will focus on main idea, asking and answering questions, and distinguishing the genre (fiction and nonfiction). We are just starting the beginning stages of writing as well. Students are working on creating pictures with clear details for a topic they chose and "5-star" coloring! We will continue to practice "labeling" our pictures with beginning sound letters (matching sounds we hear to a letter). We are also encouraging adding more details.

Sight Words learned so far: **I, one, like, our, day, the, and, off**

Target skills: genre and text/graphic features, recognizing and producing rhyming pairs, summarize stories, writing ideas with pictures/labels, concepts of print, action verbs, letters a and g, pencil grip, writing grid, reading stamina with picture walks using the "eagle eye" strategy.

### Math

Chapter 2 focuses on comparing numbers 1-5. We will discuss the terms "greater than", "less than", "more", "less", "equal", and "same". We will model numbers with manipulatives and compare the sets as well as comparing written numerals (a review of chapter 1). We will be finishing up this chapter this week and will plan to assess on Friday. Please use practice packet to practice.

### Science/S.S.

Science - Effects of the Sun

## SPECIALS SCHEDULE

Monday	Tuesday-	Wed.-	Thurs.-	Friday-
No school	Day 4	Day 5	Day 1	Day 2
	PE	Tech/Library	Spanish	PE/art

## THIS WEEK'S TOP STORIES

**Thank you to our readers for Bedtime Story Day!**

Scholastic Book Fair begins this week. Students have the opportunity to buy during their scheduled library time which for us will be on **Wednesday, October 16th**. There is an additional family night on **Monday, October 21st from 6-8 pm** for families to attend the book fair and make purchases along with other fun activities! If your child is purchasing at school, it is helpful to place money in an envelope clearly labeled with book fair and child's name.

It is also helpful if you note what you would like them to spend it on (ie: just books, trinkets, etc)

Our field trip is this **Thursday, October 17th**. Please dress for the weather. Thank you to our volunteer chaperones.

Our first show and tell will be on **Monday October 28th**. For our first one, students can bring in a free- choice item or something related to fall.

We do a weekly check-in with students every Friday for reading skills. It is based on their read alouds for the week and the targeted skill. For example, this week's skill was understanding characters.

Please pack a snack each day. On early dismissal days, snacks are available for purchase. If your child attends Beyond the Bell on early dismissal days, please provide a lunch.

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## HOMEWORK

A weekly packet will be sent home with an activity. At this time, we do not need homework sent back in for these activities. Use the cover page as a guide to complete and only return the cover page on Fridays.

**Monday - Practice High Frequency words for unit 1**

**Tuesday - Letter naming and sound fluency (1 minute)**

**Wednesday - letter formation practice**

**Thursday - Comparing Numbers**

With your help, we will continue to see success for your child :- ) Thank you!

Please practice high frequency words for weeks 1-4

# I, one, like, our, the, day, and, off

We have sent home the sight words 'cards' for all of unit 1. Only practice them as we learn them.

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## IMPORTANT DATES

**October 14th - No School for students - Columbus Day**

**October 15th-21st - Jeffrey Clark Scholastic Book Fair \*the 21st - Family Night at Clark for book fair**

**October 17th - Pumpkin Patch Trip (AM) ~ Multicultural Night at Samuel Mickle 6-8pm**

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## TIPS AND TRICKS

- Each night - recite the alphabet, practice counting above 10, write your name.
- Optional: Begin making a sight word box. Each week when we learn new words, add them to a box and pick out a few each night to practice. (shoe box, wipes container, index cards). Ask students to come up with rhyming words as well.
- Password Game: Choose different letters, numbers, and sight words to make as "passwords" to different rooms in the house. Every time the students want to enter the room, ask for the password :-)
- Visit Mrs. Gray's website for additional practice sites categorized by content area. You can find her page in the "staff directory" on the District Website.