



# First Grade News



September 2016

**NO SCHOOL MONDAY September 5, 2016 (Labor Day holiday)**

Language Arts - Thacker/Wood	Math/Science/Social Studies - Walker/Lohrey
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<p><u>Reading Homework Thacker &amp; Lohrey's Classes:</u>  <b>Don't forget to send in reading bags and reading logs on Tuesday, September 6th.</b> Students will trade for new books and will receive their new reading log for the month of September. <b>In Walker and Wood's classes, the reading log is due every Monday; books are traded weekly on Thursdays.</b></p> <p><u>Can You Donate?</u>  Ms. Thacker is in need of individually wrapped candies for the classroom bonus basket (e.g., bags of Starbursts, lollipops, Tootsie Rolls). If you are able to donate a bag of candy for our bonus basket, please send it in with your student any time. Thank you in advance for your help!</p> <p><u>Literacy Workstations</u>  First grade has been working on learning to be responsible for our behavior and learning at Literacy Workstations. Students go to workstations while the teacher meets with guided reading groups. As students begin bringing home work station packets, please review their completed work with them. Discuss whether or not their work is getting done and help them set a goal for working during their station time.</p>	<p><u>Math Homework</u>  Your child will have a homework packet sent home towards the beginning of each unit. It will be due back at school at the end of the unit. Please be aware if you work ahead and your child does not understand the concept, we might not have taught it yet at school. Wait a day or two and try that page again. Luckily your child used the GO Math program last year and is familiar with the format. Thanks for helping out at home. Don't hesitate to contact your child's math teacher if you have a question.</p> <p><u>Science and Social Studies</u>  We have kicked off Science learning to be observers and investigators using our five senses. Make sure you ask your first grade student about their "tree" project! We assigned each first grader a tree to photograph, observe and document throughout this school year. The trees are located in the front green area of our school in an area known as our outdoor learning classroom/land lab.</p> <div data-bbox="1052 1318 1269 1541" data-label="Image"></div>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Upcoming Dates and Announcements</u></b></p> <p>NO SCHOOL Monday, Sept. 5th-Labor Day  September 20th- School Picture Day  September 26th- No School for Students - Waiver Day  September 30th- Attendance Awareness Month Drive In Movie Celebration  (93% attendance rate for month of September and earn a movie here at school. Miss no more than 2 days this month and you can join us!)</p>	