



# May/June 2017 Fabulous First Grade News

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## Important Messages

What a wonderful year it's been! Please continue to encourage your child to practice their reading and math skills throughout the summer!

- ◆ If your child is absent, you must call the office or send in a note to be excused.
- ◆ Make sure your child arrives to school on time!
- ◆ Have your child read every night and enter it on the reading log in the agenda.
- ◆ Please review any homework assignment before it is turned in.
- ◆ Car Loop- please hang the card listing your child's name and teacher's name to help speed up the process. Please do not hold up the line to talk to your child's teacher.
- ◆ Please send in a snack daily.
- ◆ If your child is cold in the classroom, please send in a jacket.

## Reading Strategies

### **Stuck On A New Word?**

When your child gets "stuck" on a word, it is important that they use their reading strategies.

"Helpful Kangaroo" -  
**Ask for Help!**

**-After you have tried all the other strategies, ask for help.**

## Upcoming Events & Dates

5/1-5/5- Teacher Appreciation Week  
 5/16- Science Fair Night  
 5/23- Career Day  
 5/24 & 5/25- Student Led Conferences (More information coming soon)  
 5/29- NO School- Memorial Day  
 6/8- Early Release/Last Day of School



## Writing Tips

*Try This with your child:*

- Cut out photos of people from magazines and do the following activities: Write a story about them or glue the pictures onto paper and draw speech bubbles for each person. Have your child write funny sayings in the speech bubbles.
- Make an "ideas jar". Cut out slips of paper and write a word or two on each paper. Fold the paper and place in the jar. Have your child pick 3-5 slips of paper and make up a story using the words from the paper.
- Journal Writing-encourage your child to keep a daily or weekly journal of their thoughts or activities they have done. This is a great activity to do over the summer. They can also decorate the outside of their journal.

## Math Skills

### Chapter 11- Three-Dimensional Geometry

- Introduce Three-Dimensional Shapes
- Combine Three-Dimensional Shape
- Make New Three-Dimensional Shapes
- Take Apart Three-Dimensional Shapes
- Problem Solving using Three-Dimensional

### Chapter 12- Two-Dimensional Geometry

- Sort Two-Dimensional Shapes
- Describe Two-Dimensional
- Combine Two-Dimensional
- Problem Solving using Two-Dimensional

## Science Update

### Goods and Services

**Vocabulary words-** scarce, goods, services, opportunity costs, savings, resources, exchange, buyers, sellers and producers.

### **Essential questions:**

- How can use money to exchange things?
- When do we have to make decisions on what to buy?
- What makes a resource scarce?
- Why is it important to save money for the future?
- What are some goods and services you can think of?

