



First Grade **NOVEMBER** Newsletter



Curriculum Highlights

Literacy: Students will begin engaging in Unit 2: Many Kinds of Characters. In this unit, students read and compare selections about different types of characters and analyze what the characters say, think, and do.

-Phonics: Students will be studying the relationship between letters and sounds. We will be on Unit 7-9 of BLAST. We will add the patterns on our Friday News.

-Comprehension: Students will be able to describe major events and the main characters in a story. In compare and contrast Two Fairy Tales.

-Language: Students will use singular nouns with matching verbs correctly in their writing. They will identify matching verbs for singular and plural nouns. Students will also use articles to make statements about a story (articles: a, an, the). They will then use demonstratives to make statements about a story (demonstratives: this, that, these, and those).

-Writing: We will be writing responses to sources that correspond with our reading lessons. We will write about key events in a story, how the characters feel, dialogue, and a narrative. We will also introduce the writing process to write an opinion piece.

Health: We will focus on Personal Health Maintenance. Students will be encouraged to think more deeply about what they know about dental health and then relate it to new information. Students will write personal commitment statements explaining strategies they will follow to keep their teeth healthy.

Math: Students will continue to engage in Module 2:

Students will be introduced to place value through addition and subtraction within ten. Students will use the strategies of counting on and making ten or taking from ten to solve result unknown and total unknown problems. Students will learn additional strategies to solve change or addend unknown problems. Lastly, students will explore the decomposition of teen numbers and one ten and some ones.

The following resources are home-school connection resources for the Eureka math curriculum.

- [Module 2 Parent Tip Sheets](#)
- [Grade 1 Eureka Road Map](#)
- [First Grade Eureka Math Strategy Videos](#)

Social Studies: In November we will focus on Social Studies instruction, Culture and History. Students will be able to describe how people in their families or communities meet their needs. Students will also describe how people share and borrow traditions and customs, Students will also explore history by means of photographs and timelines.

Science: Will continue in December.

Leader In Me: Habit 2: **Begin with the End in Mind.** We will be talking about about the importance of thinking ahead, having clear expectations when working in teams, the importance of considering consequences, and students will be developing a personal mission statement. Below are some questions you can ask your child as we explore Habit 2:

- Why is it important to have a picture in your mind before beginning something?
- How do clear expectations help you know what to do?
- Why is it helpful to think about consequences before you do something?
- What is your personal mission statement?