

SEPTEMBER NEWS

1st grade

A note from the teachers

Welcome back to school! We are so excited for an amazing year of learning and exploring in 1st grade. We can't wait to get to know our students!

Reminders

Discuss what it means to be respectful, responsible, and safe at school. Please check your student's folders daily.

Events

September 1st

- No school, Labor Day

September 10th

- 6:00-7:30 Back to school night (Grades 1 & 2)

September 23rd

- No School

September 26th

- Early Release Day (dismissal at 12:55)

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Math Focus

The first module of 1st grade focuses on fluency within addition and subtraction to 10. We will focus on advancing from counting all to counting on, which leads students to decomposing and composing addends and total amounts. Students will become familiar with number bonds and five group drawings. These tools will help them become fluent mathematicians!

Parent Tip Sheets

[English](#) [Spanish](#)

Reading and Writing Focus

In 1st grade CKLA is split into two parts, skills and knowledge. The skills block focuses on sounds, students practice their phonemic awareness, handwriting skills, vocabulary, spelling, and grammar. They become aware of the connection between reading and writing, building confidence along the way. This month in skills we are reviewing vowel and consonant sounds and applying that to reading and writing. The knowledge block focuses on comprehension. Students listen to a read aloud each day and participate in discussions based on the text. To start the year, we are focusing on fables and stories!

Science and Social Studies Focus

This month we will be beginning with Social Studies. The first four weeks of instruction will be focused on describing roles, rights, and responsibilities of being a member of the family and school. We will also learn about leaders in our homes, communities, and country. We will talk about what rights and responsibilities various members of our community have.