



MARCH NEWS

1st grade

A note from the teachers



The First Day of Spring is March 20th!

Reminders

Remember to check your child's take-home folder every evening and return it to school every morning.

Please remind students to be respectful, responsible and safe at recess as the weather warms up and outdoor play becomes more exciting.

Events

- **March 3-** Market Day
5pm-6:30pm
- **March 10-** Math Night
6pm-7:30pm
- **March 20-** Eid al-Fitr:
No school for students
- **March 30-April 6:**
SPRING BREAK 🌻

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Math Focus

We will continue Module 4. Students will practice strategies for adding tens or ones to a two-digit number. Learning goals include using counting on and combinations of ten to add with a number greater than 10, breaking apart two digit numbers into tens and ones to add with a number greater than 10 and using quick tens and ones pictures to add with a number greater than 10. As the module progresses, students will move from adding two digit number pairs with ones that add up to less than 10 to adding two digit number pairs with ones that add up to greater than 10.

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Reading and Writing Focus

Knowledge: We will begin Domain 7, which concentrates on the history of the earth and geographical features of earth. The read alouds focus on rocks, minerals, fossils, basics of geology and paleontology. Using previous skills, students will create friendly letters throughout the domain.

Skills: We are wrapping up Skills Unit 4 by mastering r-controlled vowels and tricky words, concluding with a final review of common and proper nouns Skills 5 will focus on sounds formed by the combination of two vowels in a single syllable (vowel teams). Students begin a new, more advanced reader called “Kate’s Book” and use “Spelling Trees” to track these new spelling patterns.

Science and Social Studies Focus

In Science, we are turning into nature detectives! This month, students will investigate the incredible transformations of living things, comparing tiny seeds to adult plants and fuzzy babies to their grown-up animal counterparts. We’ll also explore the amazing—and sometimes surprising—behaviors animals use to help their young survive and thrive in the wild.