



OCTOBER NEWS

1st grade

A note from the teachers

We have had a great start to 1st grade! 1st grade teachers have enjoyed getting to know all of our students. Please continue to encourage students to be respectful, responsible, and safe in school.

Reminders

- Remember to check take-home folders daily
- Please use the sign-up link sent by your child's teacher to sign up for a parent teacher conference in November. We look forward to speaking with you!

Events

- **Monday, October 9th:** No school for students
- **Wednesday, October 25th:** ELD Fall Family Fun Night
 - 5:00 pm-6:30 pm
- **Friday, October 27th:** Fall Festival
- **Tuesday, October 31st:** End of marking period 1

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Math Focus

This month, we will continue to work within Module 1 of the Eureka curriculum. First graders will make significant progress toward fluency with addition and subtraction of numbers to 10 (**1.OA.C.6**) as they are presented with opportunities intended to advance them from *counting all* to *counting on*, which leads many students then to decomposing and composing addends and total amounts.

Parent Tip Sheets

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

Reading and Writing Focus

We will continue exploring Unit 1 of the Benchmark Advance curriculum. Our essential question that we have been discussing is, “Why do people get involved in their communities?” In this unit, students read and compare selections about being a good community member.

We will also continue practicing our letter sounds and practicing heart words. We will be focusing on on decoding and spelling words with short vowel sounds.

Science and Social Studies Focus

Science: For the next few weeks, we will learn about exploring and observing patterns of the sun and the moon. Our end goal is to develop a model to represent a selected season and time of day.