

September 7, 2017

Russell Review

1st Grade Newsletter: srussell@meadville.k12.mo.us

Reading: We will begin reading a fictional story called *Curious George at School*. This is a fantasy story about our "LOVEABLE" monkey George! **READING BAGS are not due back until MONDAY! There was a note in the bag explaining this week's reading. Thank You! Your kiddo's first reading test is in their Friday folder. These looked great! If you have any questions/concerns please let me know!**

Math: We wrapped up C1 this week! Next week we will have a test over C1. A study guide will go home the night before the test! Look for this in your child's homework folder!

Science: We are learning about PLANTS! The kids have worked on diagramming and writing about plants. These are on display in the hall! Come take a look. They have also grown bean plants!

"Decodable" books-

You may have noticed that in your reading bag, you received a photocopied "decodable" book. These are books that your child HAS SEEN & HAS READ before in class. Therefore, hopefully, your kiddo will not have any trouble reading you this book. Try letting your child read the book 1 or 2 times with "some" assistance, if needed, then work towards having your child read the book completely on his/her own. Feel free to read this book MULTIPLE times throughout the week. It is great practice, and reinforces the phonics skills that we are working on in class.

FLIP TO THE BACK

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Upcoming Events

September 8

No School- Teacher In-Service

September 22

Field Trip: Old Time Harvest @ Chillicothe (More information is to come)

Snacks & Show & Tell Next Week

Monday- Konner

Thursday- Zoie

Spelling- In first grade, spelling starts in quarter II. We take the first quarter to learn phonic rules, and we will begin to apply those rules quarter II-quarter IV. More information is to come.

Heads Up ☺

Grandparent's Day in first grade is September 26th!
More information is to come.

Ideas for site word practice

- Word Wall- hang up the words & review daily use a pointer & point to words in a random order
- Penny Jar- cut apart the words, draw a word out 1 at a time, for every correct word, earn a penny - once a word had earned 10 pennies, the word is taken out (keep track, by drawing tally's or pennies on the back of the word to know how many corrects you've gotten)
- Word Rings- cut apart the words, and place on a ring, then review the words daily by quickly flipping through the ring
- Spellcity.com or PowerPoint- use your electronics by placing the words in the above website or on

PowerPoint slides 😊 then flip through and work on your site word memorization

Site words are extremely important to learn, because they do NOT generally follow phonetic or phonic rules. Therefore, we must rely on memorization of these words! Spelling at this point is not peril, just being able to read the words is! 2 lists of site words were sent home last week in Friday Folders