



January NEWSLETTER

FIRST GRADE

What we are learning

Reading: In Module 4, students will listen to and read stories and informational texts that explore getting along with others, practicing cooperation, and being a good sport in different situations.

Writing: Module 4 focuses on procedural text writing. Students learn how to write a how-to book about making a new friend, including an introduction, body, and conclusion.

Phonics: In Unit 6, students strengthen their phonics and reading foundation by focusing on adding the suffix "-s" to base words to make them plural or show action.

Math (Envision 2.0): Topic 5 focuses on writing and solving addition and subtraction equations. Topic 6 emphasizes organizing, collecting, and representing data, interpreting charts to determine totals and comparisons, and solving problems involving data.

Math (IM): Students continue to develop fluency in Unit 3 by adding and subtracting numbers within 20.

Science: Light & Sound: Students explore how light creates brightness and darkness (shadows) and how sound produces noise as they design scenery and sound effects.

Social Studies: Black History Month: Students celebrate the cultural impact, leadership, and excellence of African American across many fields—including sports.

REMINDERS

Please look in your child's P.S. 217 communication folder for daily updates and notices.

All first-grade classes are enjoying their in-school residency with the Ajna Dance Company, which will continue through the end of January! If you haven't had a chance to return the photo release form, please send it in with your child as soon as possible so we can capture these special moments.

EVENTS

January 1st and 2nd: No school, New Years Day

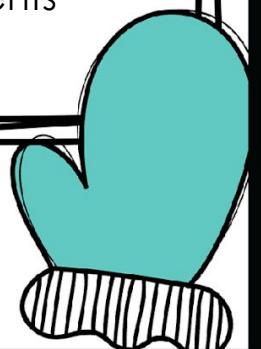
January 5th- Return to school

January 19th: No school, Martin Luther King Jr. day

January 22nd: Science Night, 4-6 p.m.

TO-DO

- Read for at least 15 minutes every day
- Complete daily homework assignments



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