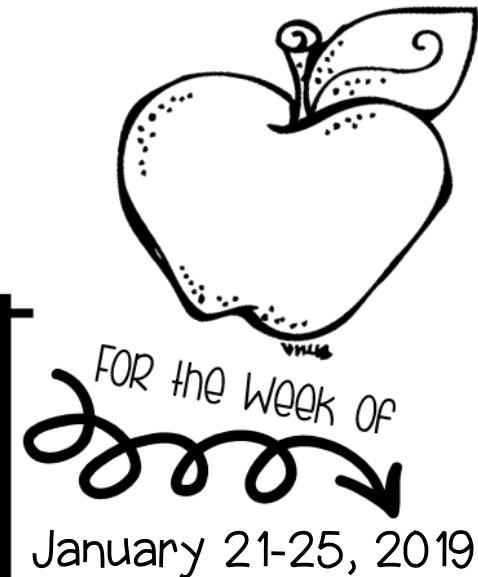


# Ms. Nguyen's First Grade

# NEWS



## Hot Topics This Week

**Driving Question:** How can we, as First Graders, make an impact in the world today?

**Phonics-** We will talk about compound words. Our words of the week are: over, afternoon, weekend, new, hallway, inside, outside, sound, take, and only.

**Reading-** We will be talking about "summarizing what's most essential. We will talk about how when good readers summarize, they remember to tell what is most important.

**Writing-** We will continue to practice researching and applying our research to informative pieces.

**Math-** We will continue to work on telling and showing time to both the hour and half hour. We will also practice tallying and analyzing our data. We will continue to practice math facts every day.

## Other

For math this week, please make sure to go over addition facts +2. Please note that these math facts may be mixed in with addition facts +1 on the timed test on Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. The purpose of these timed tests is to build the fact fluency that they will need to master by the end of first grade.

Please make sure that you are going over the words of the week daily, as your child will be tested on 5 of the 10 words on Friday.

As you are working with your child at home, please work with your child on writing without mixing upper and lowercase letters. We have been talking about capitalization rules and how good writers capitalize the first letter of a sentence, the letter "I" when used as a pronoun, names, days of the week/months of the year, and places. We are working on correcting our writing in class, but the more practice we get, the better we will become.

Dates to Remember: January 21- NO SCHOOL \* January 30- Report Cards Distributed \* February 15- NO SCHOOL \* February 18- NO SCHOOL \* February 28- POL (1:00 PM) \* March 18- NO SCHOOL

## Message from Ms. Nguyen

I cannot believe that we have almost completed 100 days in First Grade! Our 100<sup>th</sup> day of school is Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. We will be celebrating our accomplishments thus far all day! In order for us to have a successful day of STEM centers, we will need your help. I will be sending out a sign-up genius link with this newsletter for both the 100<sup>th</sup> day and Valentine's Day celebrations. If you are willing and able to send in any of the items, we would greatly appreciate it! (Sunnies Due: Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>)