

First Grade Newsletter

Current Units:

Spelling List 19: side, kind, life, here, car, word, every, under, most, made, said, says, say, work, our, more, when, from, form, wind, wind, print, air, fill, along

Phonograms: 44-66

Poetry: "There Once Was a Puffin"

Grammar: Verbs

Literature: Beatrix Potter (no book purchase necessary)

Math: Numbers to 40

History: Exploring the West

Sayings & Phrases: "Fish out of water"

Important Dates:

February 21st: No School
Presidents Day

February 22nd: Class Picture Day

March 2nd: Desert Day

March 4th: OdySea Aquarium Field Trip

Dear Parents,

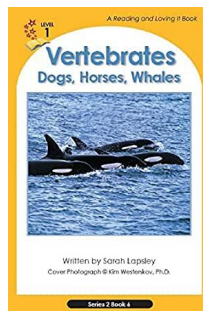
We have many exciting events coming up in 1st Grade! We will be celebrating Desert Day after starting our Habitat unit. During the day, the class will learn about and observe desert plants on our campus. We will eat some desert-y foods such as agave syrup and prickly pear jelly. After reading *Cactus Hotel*, the students will create their own cactus hotels. We look forward to having a wonderful day. We will also be going on our second field trip to OdySea Aquarium in March (details and sign up to follow).

Here are a few special notes:

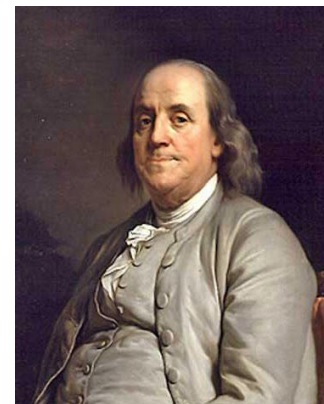
- **There are now 25 words per week for spelling tests.**
- **Book Reports:** During the second semester, students will be completing book reports approximately every two weeks. You can record the reading of book report books on your Reading Log as part of the minutes read.
- **February Reading Log is due Monday, February 28th**
- **We need volunteers on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 2:25-2:55 for reading groups.**
- Reading Comprehension passages (every week) and DIBELS passages (every other week) will continue coming home in your child's blue folder.

Next Book Report:

Vertebrates: Dogs, Horses, and Whales. *Teacher to provide a copy of book in your child's blue folder*
NO PURCHASE NECESSARY



Virtue: Wisdom



May your sense of wonder and delight grow throughout the week!

First Grade Team

