



First Grade News

December



Curriculum Updates

The first grade team hopes that everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday and we are happy to have everyone back! November was a very busy and exciting month at Sherwood!! The students have been hard at work and are all making outstanding progress. Since the month of December is here, we wanted to let you know what we will be focusing on in all areas of the curriculum.

Reading:

Over the past few weeks we have been working on fiction text. The students are working on asking questions using **who, what, when, why, where, and how**, and using details from the text to support the answers to the questions. The students will be working on retelling a story using beginning, middle and end, and using illustrations/words to describe the characters, setting, and major events.

Writing:

In writing, the students have been writing informational pieces about a way to play, and will be writing about animals. We are focusing on including a topic sentence, some facts about the topic, and a closing sentence.

Math:

In math, we will be working on using different strategies to solve addition and subtraction word problems. The students will use doubles, doubles +1, count on, count back, fact families and making ten. The students will also focus on math vocabulary to determine if a problem is asking them to add or subtract.

Social Studies:

We will continue to learn about different countries and cultures from around the world. We will also begin learning about history by looking at photographs from the past and present. We will learn about how things have changed over time.

Science:

In science, the students will be learning about light and sounds. They will learn how they can send messages to people and animals.

Important Dates:

No School:
Winter Break

December 23, 2019 - January 1, 2020



Birthday Club:
Friday, December 20, 2019