



1st Grade Newsletter

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Columbine Elementary School

Math

Focus: Investigations 2: Making Shapes & Designing quilts

1M3: Identifies, describes, represents, compares shapes.

Solving Story Problems (Addition/Subtraction/Number System)

1M2: Develops and utilizes strategies to solve basic add/sub problems.

Tips for Home Support

-Notice and discuss shapes in the home and outside environment.

-Combinations for numbers 7, 8, 9, 10 to 20.

-Count to 100 out loud and backwards from 30.

Literacy

Reading Focus: Sharing opinions about what is read/heard (1LA19), identifying basic story elements in order to retell what we read (1LA23), make text-to-self and text-to-text connections with characters, events, and information in literature (1LA22), answer simple who, what, where, when, why, and how questions about what is read (1LA21), and continue to build a menu of strategies to use when reading.

Tips: Help your child read and remember to return homework books daily.

Writing Focus: selects topics for writing /makes plans for writing (1LA9), writing in complete sentences, penmanship, capital letters, use of periods (1LA14), and writing to explain basic information about familiar topics (1LA10).

Tips: Practice writing child's full name together noticing upper/lower case letters. Share how/why you chose their name.



Do you have a family tradition in the fall? Raking leaves together and jumping in them?

Social Studies: Family

1SS1: Describes different family structures.

1SS5: Describes one's unique family history .

1SS8: Explains how families participate in a market economy as

producers and consumers.

Tips: Discuss origins of names in your family. Cook favorite family dishes together. Put the recipe in a special album or computer folder for your child.

Discuss needs vs. wants when shopping.

Science: Balance & Motion

St. 1S6 Describes the basic concepts of balance, position, motion, and force.

Important Dates

Parent Teacher Conferences: 11th, 13th, 17th, 19th	Notes
Professional Development/No School: Friday, Oct. 14th	
Vision/Hearing Screening & 1st Grade Birthday Celebration: Friday, Oct. 21st	
Columbine Spirit Day/Bien Educados Assembly: Friday, Oct. 21st @ 2:15pm	
Halloween Parade and Celebration: Monday, Oct. 31st	