



First Grade

Columbine Elementary School

What We're Learning!

Math

- Using counting on/counting back strategies to solve addition and subtraction story problems-1M2c
- Using a variety of representations including number sentences to demonstrate the meaning of addition and subtraction story problems and solve them-1M2a
- Recognizes and uses key academic vocabulary relevant to math in verbal and written communication-1M5f (Finish Investigations II, Unit 3)
- Collects data and uses counting and comparing to answer questions and interpret graphs-1M1g (Begin Investigations II, Unit 4)
- Identify, sequence and write numerals to 100
- Counting backward from 30 starting at any number in the sequence

Literacy

Reading Focus

- Locates facts in informational texts (1LA20)
- Shares opinions about what is heard or read (1LA19)
- Follows the events of plots that accumulate and summarizes (1LA1b)

Tips for Home Support

Support Counting Strip writing of numerals and word problem solving by asking questions and making sure your child shows their strategy/ thinking (math homework)

Say numbers directly before or after a number (to 100 or beyond if able)

Tips - When your child brings home a nonfiction book, discuss what you learn or wonder about the content as you read.

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Writing Focus

- Writing in complete sentences, penmanship, capital letters, use of periods (1LA14)-this will be ongoing all year
- Rereads and revises to ensure writing makes sense (1LA11)
- Makes plans for writing (1LA9)
- Creates a written response that shows comprehension of text (1LA5d)

Social Studies

Geographic Data/ Families in Japan

St. 1SS6 Use data from maps, globes, and technology to describe one's geography. Compare physical features of Japan and Colorado.

-Explore a map together of the United States or the world. Students are learning the 7 continents and 4 oceans.

-Have your child practice saying and writing their home address and phone number.

Thank you for your support with our Winter Holiday parties!

Reminders:

- Please be sure to send your child with appropriate clothing for the winter weather.
- Math homework goes home Wednesday night and can be returned by Friday or Monday.
- Please send Friday Folders back to school, every week!
- Please look for our Guided Reading books (homework books) and return them to school ASAP! Teachers check these out from our library in sets.

Important Dates

- No School on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Monday, 1/16/12
- Bien Educados Assembly —Friday, 1/ 27/12, 8:45 - 9:30 am
- **First Grade January Birthday celebration: 1/13/12 , 1:30—2pm**

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