

FIRST GRADE



Reminders

Some students are missing Art Smocks, Headphones, and gym shoes. Please make sure you get some as soon as possible.

Please return the 3,2,1 Form, Birthday sheet, and field trip permission slip with money.

The Sharing Box homework is due on Monday, September 12th. Thanks to those who already completed and shared. They look FABULOUS!!

Reading We have kicked off our first reading unit where we learn all about how *Readers Build Good Habits*. We charted how to read L - o - n - g and **STRONG**. Many of us knew that good readers settle in quietly with a book, hold it correctly, and turn the pages gently. Then you take a picture walk and look at the pictures. Did you know that readers also “look and wonder” while they explore the pictures? We also discussed how to reread books.

This time of year is where we spend some time taking various reading assessments. A big thanks to our reading specialists Mrs. Bartel and Mrs. Hoth who were on hand to help us with testing. **Writing** This week we worked on writing about our “Tee”-rific Summers. We made T-shirts and stories about our favorite summer memories to share with our classroom community. Later, we made cards to thank the local Police and Fire Departments for keeping us safe.

Math We have started our new District Math Program called Bridges. Please look for information about our upcoming Math Night on Wednesday, October 12th. We hope you can attend. The first couple of lessons have helped us explore skip counting by 2’s and 5’s. We also reviewed counting forwards and backwards. Later we practiced writing AND building tally marks. One NEW component is Number Corner. It has various activities surrounding the calendar including finding patterns, collecting money, and helping us learn about equations. Students will be getting occasional homework throughout the units. Please look for the first homework assignment next week.

Social Studies

We are studying about *People Everywhere* and already learned that rules help keep us **safe** and **fair**. We also learned how important jobs are at home and at school. Our classroom jobs start next week! We ended our week by attending an All School Assembly honoring special Community Members.