



News for Ms. Strohm's 1st Graders

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Continue working on the sight words that were on the back of last week's newsletter.

Your child needs to know those words instantly

when they see them—not by sounding them out....or doing the "hummmm..."

waiting for you to help. If your child doesn't know the words—go through the words having you say them & then they repeat them until they DO know them!



Please try to read with your child 10—20 min. each day. At first grade this does include reading wordlists, the small run-off books and you reading to them. I have included a paper for you to write down books that you are reading at home.

We are working on word families (rimes) to help us read words. Recognizing a rime allows us to read & write many words just by changing the initial (beginning) sound (example: cat, hat, mat, lap, map, nap).

REMINDERS:

WEDNESDAY FOLDERS— try and get into the habit of going through these folders will your child and RETURNING them on Thursdays!

BOOK ORDER: Due on September 15th!

Work Stations are in full swing this week. Your child goes to one station area a day and works together to complete 3 activities. Please review the importance of working (and NOT playing) during station time.

Thanks for your support in helping these go smoothly and successfully.



In math we use coins for a lot of different activities. I would appreciate it if each of you could send in 10 pennies, 5 nickels & 10 dimes. Your child will have their own "piggy bank" to store their coins. I would like these pennies by this Friday.

Thanks!

Continue working with your child on their number formation (there are a lot of reversals!)...they should be able to write numbers to 50 by themselves.

