



First Grade News

Divernon Elementary School

Week of

January 25th - January 29th



Announcements

Backwards Letters and Numbers

Students will be encouraged even more to pay attention to how they are making their letters and numbers.

Backward letters and numbers will now be marked wrong on spelling tests and math papers.

Writing Grades

The grade for capital letters, periods and complete thoughts will now be given weekly. Each week students will be assessed on a writing assignment.

Spelling Words

Week 16 - The Spelling words are:

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| 1. her | 8. fur |
| 2. first | 9. hurt |
| 3. bird | 10. sir |
| 4. girl | 11. visit |
| 5. burn | 12. done |
| 6. were | |
| 7. shirt | |



Reading Workshop

Our story this week is *I'm a Caterpillar* by Jean Marzollo.

This week the **comprehension skill** is drawing conclusions. Sometimes clues in the words and pictures can help a reader figure out something that is not written in a story or article.

Good readers use what they read and what they know about real life to figure out more about the characters and what happens in a selection.

This week's **comprehension strategy** focuses on text structure. Knowing how a piece of text is organized helps the reader to make

better sense of the information. Each organizational structure suggests questions which readers should consider *as they are reading* and be able to answer *once they've finished reading* the passage.

This week the **fluency skill** is attending to punctuation. Good Readers try to read with expression and attention to punctuation. If a sentence ends in a question mark, good readers read it as if they are asking a question.

Some of our Amazing Words for this week are *rearrange, yearly, rearrange, yearly, emerge, fragile, and vessel*. Try to have your student use these words in a sentence.

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Math



This week we will focus on addition and subtraction. We will learn ways to show and write addition and subtraction sentences for facts through 10.

Students will be given three numbers such as 3, 7, and 10. They will need to write two addition and two subtraction problems using the three numbers.

$$3+7=10$$

$$7+3=10$$

$$10-3=7$$

$$10-7=3$$

This is called a Fact Family.

Writing



Our **writing trait** this week is organization and paragraphs. We will practice telling what happens in the right order so that our paragraphs make sense.

Our **grammar skill** this week focuses on linking verbs am, is, are, was, and were.



Reminders

- ✚ February 12 - 11:20 Dismissal
- ✚ February 15 - No School Presidents Day
- ✚ March 19 - 11:20 Dismissal
- ✚ April 1 - 2:00 Dismissal
- ✚ April 2 - April 9 - Spring Break

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