



Weekly Update – Week 6

September 29

At 6 weeks in, we are at the point in the year where things really start picking up. Routines have been established, academics have really begun, our classroom community is settling in, and expectations are being raised. This crew of first graders seems to be up for the challenge! Thank you for helping to build the foundations of respect, kindness, hard work, and more – I'm grateful to see these in action in your kids every single day!

Please remember that there is NO SCHOOL for students on Monday, October 2nd or Tuesday, October 3rd.

Look at what we're learning!

Looking Ahead

Math

We wrapped up our first chapter on addition concepts this week and had our Chapter 1 Assessment today. We'll jump from this into Chapter 3 which continues the focus on addition concepts, adding in strategies for finding sums up to 20.

Religion

Mrs. McNeilly helped us wrap up our first unit on God as our Creator. This week we moved into talking more about Jesus as the Son of God. We learned about the Annunciation and studied some sacred art by El Greco.

These first graders have an incredible thirst for learning about their faith!

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."
Matthew 19:14

Phonics

This week we focused on short e and completed a review on all short vowel sounds. We'll move into digraphs next!

- October 2-3 – No School for Students
- October 15 – Happy Birthday, Colin!
- October 23 – No Bus or Hot Lunch
- October 26 – Virtuous Student Celebration at Mass
- October 27 – Non-Uniform Day
K/I Field Trip to the Country Mill
Halloween Party (afternoon)
End of Term I
- November 1 – No p.m. bus
- November 1-2 – Parent Teacher Conferences
- November 17 – Non-Uniform Day

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October



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 No School (Teacher PD)	3 No School (Teacher PD)	4	5	6  Book Order Due
9 Happy Birthday, Mrs. Mickay!	10	11	12	13
16 Happy Birthday, Colin! (Sunday, Oct. 15) 	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27 Country Mill & Halloween Party

Scholastic Book Order

Flyers came home in last week's folder, but then it hit me that I never sent any further information! SORRY!

If you're interested in placing a Scholastic Books order, you can visit clubs.scholastic.com and use the code **TJB8M** to connect right to our classroom. Any orders placed will earn bonus points which have in the past allowed me to purchase books, classroom furniture, learning games, etc.

All orders are now done digitally, so flyers that come home will just show the available books rather than providing a slip to turn in.



I will plan to submit the class order on Friday, October 6th.

Family Directories

Thank you for your patience as I collected information from families and pieced together our 1st Grade Family Directory that is coming home today.

All of the information provided in this booklet was printed with permission from families based on the forms filled out at the beginning of the school year.

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