



Mrs. Lightner's 1st Grade News

April 4th, 2011

UPDATE

We are so happy spring has arrived and we get exercise outdoors!

In math we finished measuring using common objects and adding coins to one dollar. We are studying 2D and 3D shapes and their characteristics. We plan to review all math concepts we have studied before the end of the year.

In language we learned about how to visualize a story in our mind as we read. We can think about our five senses to help understand story meaning. We continue to learn a story has a beginning, middle, and end, and usually solves an issue or problem.

In writing we discuss what makes a sentence, mechanics of a sentence, transition words, overusing the word "and" in one sentence, and remembering past spelling words.

HOMEWORK

Use written directions on your child's homework to help with reading practice. At this point in 1st grade we have learned enough to be able to read our own directions.

Also, please remember to check and sign your child's homework. I always look to see if your child used proper capitals, punctuation, and correct handwriting including backwards numbers and letters.

UPCOMING

Our Zoo field trip is approaching April 18th and all adults are welcome. Money for the trip is already due so please let me know if there are any changes in your choices for the trip. We will leave early on the 18th so please have your child at school on time.

We have been discussing bullying with all grades here at Lone Jack so students are clear about what constitutes bullying. Subtle behaviors like leaving friends out on purpose and keeping secrets are considered forms of bullying. Our goal is to make sure everyone feels safe and welcome. You will have an opportunity to order a "No Bully Zone" shirt for your child this month.

April 18 — Field Trip
April 22nd —25th Spring Break!
May 2nd —ITBS Testing
May 6th—Mom's Munchies
May 13th—Field Day
May 18th—Awards Ceremony

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