

## First Grade News October 2023

It's hard to believe that October has already arrived! What a fast and busy month September was. I'm amazed at what the class has accomplished after just one month of school. We have established routines and reviewed many basic concepts. Here's a look ahead as to what we will be studying in each subject during the month of October.

**ELA-** Our first theme in our My View book is Neighborhoods. The stories and workbook pages are reviewing story elements as well as spelling short vowel words. We are practicing handwriting daily, as well as doing weekly writing activities to practice capitalization, punctuation and spelling. We continue to review sight words daily in class. This week we will be writing an autumn paragraph.

**Math-** Our first unit is practicing with addition and subtraction to 10 using pictures, number bonds, and math sentences. We continue to use the Zearn online math program which is great for review and enrichment.

**Religion-** We will focus on God's creation and Jesus' teaching us about God's love. We will also learn about St Francis of Assisi.

**Science-** We will continue to spend our science time looking at and studying living things and their properties. We will look closely at plant characteristics. The children will be able to enjoy looking at and sorting fall items in our sensory table.

**Social Studies-**Our focus this month will be rights and responsibilities of citizens. This month we will also focus on Hispanic Americans.

**October Book Report-** The requirement for this month is to read a non-fiction book about an animal and write sentences about the book. Then use a paper bag to create an animal puppet. The due date for this book report and animal puppet is Fri. 10/27.

