

**The First Grade Team**: Mrs. Carter-Fitzgerald, Ms. Hurtado, Mrs. Gilroy and Mr. Seeger

A Note from the First Grade Teachers

# Mathematics

#  Friendly Reminders

#  Parent Conferences: March 3rd

Dismissal time for our schoolars will be 11:40 a.m.

**All conferences will be held remotely.**

**March 3rd, THE AFTERNOON SESSION will be from 12:30 to**

**3:30 p.m. And THE EVENING SESSION will be from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

* **School starts promptly at 8:20 a.m. and ends at 2:40 pm.**
* **Have your scholar wear the school uniform daily.**
* **Parent’s Survey Time is HERE!!! Fill out the survey at**

**your earliest convenience.**

* ***Please remember to fill out your school survey before MARCH 24, 2022. Your participation is vital to our school.  Families will need to complete a separate survey for each child who attends our school.***
* ***Families can take the survey online via computer or mobile device at NYCSchoolSurvey.org in any of the ten DOE-supported languages. Just click on “parent/guardian survey”.***
* ***The access code is your child’s 9-digit OSIS# preceded by the letter “f”.  For example, if your child’s OSIS# is 123456789, then the access code is “f123456789”.***

Technology

We are continuously infusing various forms of technology into our lessons. We use the Promethean board, Apple TV, and document cameras to share and model student work. We are preparing the students to be college and career ready. Each child in every class will have the opportunity to use an iPad daily.

#  Writing

Our writers are exploring how to write “ALL ABOUT BOOKS”, in this unit they teach their readers all about one topic.

This is an exciting experience for our scholars. They will learn to organize information into chapters with information they researched throughout the month.

This month the scholars will begin module 7, “The Outdoors”. In this module, the scholars will explore different types of literary genres, such as informational stories as well as fictional stories.

 It is important for our scholars to study their tricky words

(sight words) and read each night. Have your child retell the story:

* Who are the characters?
* What is the setting?
* What happened in the beginning, middle and end of the story?

In science we are currently working on Light and Sound, in which students will learn that sound originates from vibrating materials. Students will also compare various light sources and the cause and effect that it makes when its bright and dark.

In social studies, we will wrap up our unit on Families from Then and Now and begin Unit 3 Communities. In the upcoming unit, students will examine the essential question; “What is Community?” Our scholars will also examine how maps can represent many types of information and determine how natural resources are used to meet the needs of a community.

This month, we will begin **Topic 9** which focuses on comparing two-digit numbers. The scholars will compare numbers using the <,> and = signs. They will learn how to use a number line to compare two numbers.

In the middle of March, we will begin **Topic 10** “Using Models and Strategies to Add with Tens and Ones.” The students will add tens using the hundred chart, number lines, and place value.

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March “Comes in like a lion and out like a lamb!” The weather this school year has been challenging but it hasn’t stopped the First Grade Students from growing and learning each day. Everyone should be very proud of the work the children are doing! Thank you for your support and let’s continue to encourage our children to try their best. During the month of March, we will be working on the PBIS word of the month “On Task.” We will teach our children ways to be prepared and focused at school and at home.

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# Science & Social Studies

# English Language Arts