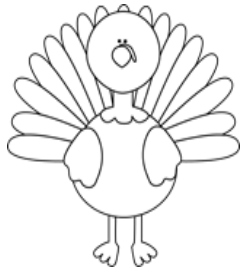


# 1st Grade News

November 17, 2023

Have a fantastic Thanksgiving Break! Please remember to read with your child during this time!

Fifteen minutes a day really does help your child continue to improve in his or her reading ability! Have your child use the turkey reading log that was sent home. It will serve as a great reminder to read!



*"We regard mistakes as an index of what still needs to be learned. We expect that *with persistence and effort*, people will eliminate errors and eventually make the correct response. Errors were not a matter of great concern; what would be worrisome would be the child's failure to expend the effort necessary to correct them."*

*~ Stevenson and Stigler from  
The Learning Gap*

## Special Days

- ◆ **Nov. 20-24** — **No School**, Thanksgiving Break
- ◆ **Dec. 18-Jan 3**— Winter Break
- ◆ **Jan. 2 & 3** — Teacher Inservice (No school for students)
- ◆ **Jan. 16th**—"Gift of Failure" Book Talk (Click [here](#) for more information)

## Bathroom News:

For those curious about our bathroom policy in first grade, we encourage our students to go at designated times (before school, snack times, after lunch) but we will not stop them in times of emergencies.

Should your child's teacher have any concerns with bathroom usage, they will contact you. And as always, if you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your child's teacher.

## In our curriculum:

### Spelling Test:

Dec. 1st on lists 19 + 20

**Math Facts:** Please take time to work on math facts over the break! A few minutes of practice a day can really help build automaticity!

**Reading:** Please continue to be reading with your child everyday!

### Core Knowledge:

After the break we will be continuing our science unit of Sun, Moon, and Stars!

**Math:** We have just started a new chapter all about subtracting numbers up to 20. Please view [this link](#) for more information.

**Poetry:** *Thanksgiving Day* by Lydia Maria Child (We are reciting all 6 stanzas as a group!)

**Titan Buddies:** We gathered with our 4th grade Titan Buddies and shared what we're grateful for and enjoyed time reading together.