First Grade News

FAST Assessments:

This week I administered the 1st grade FAST Test. This is the state of Iowa reading assessment. All of the first graders made the grade-level benchmark. Yay! I will share these scores with you at Parent/Teacher conferences.

September 23, 2016

Upcoming Events:

* Sept. 26 – Out of Dress Code Day
* Sept. 27 – Our first grade mass
* Sept. 28 – Early Dismissal - 12:10
* Oct. 4- Picture Day
* Oct. 5 – Fire Station Visit

What we learned this week:

**Reading Groups:** This week in reading groups we read leveled books and focused on the short o. We did an activity in our journals with the short o. The first graders had to highlight all the short o words in a passage and then put the pictures in the correct sequence of events to go with the passage. We will do this weekly to go along with our spelling pattern.

**Math:** We are plugging right along with our addition unit. I have seen great improvement with their addition facts. We split up into math groups and each group is working on different addition strategies. Some are still working on counting on, some are working on finding a 10 and finding doubles. We will continue this adventure next week!

**Science:** This week we experimented with wet soils. The first graders first observed using their eyes and hands. Then they were able to test the plasticity of the three and determine which one was able to roll into a ball. Ask your first grader which one was able to be rolled into a ball.

Thank you to all the first graders who contributed to our Baby Bottle donations. I will be taking our donations to mass with me this weekend!

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