First Grade News

AlICE:

We participated in the school-wide intruder-training evacuation this week. The first graders practiced running to our safe spot which is the Fidelity Bank. We kept it very low-key to ensure that no students felt unsafe or scared. Although this is a scary event to think about, it remains an important life-skill for our students.

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Upcoming Events:

* Oct. 4- Picture Day
* Oct. 5 – Fire Station Visit
* Oct. 7 – Spelling Test/Library Day
* Oct. 12– Early Out – 12:10 – P/T Conf.
* Oct. 13 – Early Out – 12:10
* Oct. 14 – No School

What we learned this week:

**Reading Groups:** We met as leveled groups again this week. We focused on the short e and continued to work on decoding skills. The first graders played different games working on vocabulary, story characters, and phonetic patterns.

**Math:**  The first graders continued our addition unit. Remember that we are doing a spiraling curriculum so some concepts aren’t supposed to be mastered until much later on. So don’t panic if your child doesn’t have something mastered. We will practice these concepts all throughout the year. Your child should start practicing flash cards at home as all strategies have been introduced and now they need to practice their facts!

**Science:** The first graders continued to experiment with soils this week. To go along with this unit, they performed a streak test and observed the different colors each soil make when wet. We will continue with this unit next week.

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Thank you for helping your child practice their mass parts the past couple weeks. They received many compliments! Hard work pays off!