



# Fun in First Grade



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## Peek at our Week



## "Paws" for These Events

Tue., Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> - Tiger Tuesday wear blue & gold!

Wed., Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>-2:00 dismissal

Thurs., Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>- No School Happy Thanksgiving

Fri., Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>- No School



### Reading:

We read a biography of Dr. Seuss, poetry by Dr. Seuss, and a story about Jim Henson the Muppet Man. We practiced reading words with the short e and 2-3 clusters with s (split, strap, snug). These skills were reinforced in our paper decodable reader books as well. We practiced reading fluently at a good rate with accurate word recognition.

**Writing/Grammar:** We learned how to identify and use singular and plural nouns and reviewed antonyms. We learned about topic sentences and continued working on writing descriptive sentences. In shared writing, we wrote rhyming words and then created a small poem with our rhymes. We are making progress with our proofreading and this week we learned about common proofreading marks.

**Math:** We had Ch. 6 test and began Ch. 7 on Subtraction. Students subtracted from numbers up to 10. We also started our Rocket Math program (information was sent home Monday about Rocket Math). We are looking forward to building strong Math foundations with this supplemental program!



## Grrrreat Ideas!

### Skills you can reinforce at home:

- Have your child write someone a letter and put it in the mail
- Alphabetize a short list of words
- Writing first and last name neatly
- Write addition sentences equaling 10

### Notes from the Teacher:

*If you are able to donate, our classrooms are in need of fine-tip dry erase markers for our Rocket Math work. Thank you in advance for your consideration!*



## November Paw Pride Trait: Compassion

- Books are a wonderful medium to help children open up, express their emotions and safely explore the worlds and feelings of others. They can also be a good way to consider values such as compassion, kindness and caring.
- If you would like to touch on these ideas with your child, pick up a few of these titles and settle down for a meaningful read: "Hunter's Best Friend at School", "The Rainbow Fish", "Rainbow to the Rescue", "Farfallina and Marcel", "The Giving Tree", "Horton Hears a Who", "I Love You, Little One" and "The Brand New Kid".



