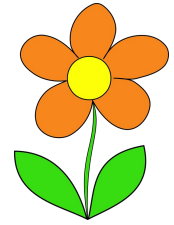


A Burst of First First Grade Newsletter May 2019



Classroom Corner

- ★ WOW! This year has flown by! This will be our last newsletter of the school year.
- ★ If your child's summer birthday has not been celebrated yet, it will be this month.
- ★ On Leap Day your child will have the opportunity to meet their second grade teacher. Look for information coming home from next year's teacher towards the end of the school year.
- ★ On the last day of school we will participate in the annual PSE parade. Make sure your child comes to school in comfortable walking shoes and their purple SOAR shirts.



Curriculum

Reading: This month, the students will be reading two stories, *Our World in Space: Planets*, and *The Sun*. Students will use text features, identify the main topic, ask and answer questions, compare and contrast two similar stories, and make connections.

Writing: Students will be writing an informative story using a question and answer format. They will be including key facts about planets. Students will be focusing on correct punctuation, capitalization, and using learned spelling patterns correctly.

Word Study: Students will be learning about the vowel digraph ie, igh, ue, ew, ui, oo (moon), the consonant patterns kn, wr, the suffixes -ly, and -ful.

Math: In chapter 18, Multiplication and Division, student will learn about repeated addition, sharing equally, and finding the number of equal groups. In chapter 19, Money, students will recognize and name the coins and identify their values. They will count different combinations of coins, add to find the cost of items and subtract to find the change.

Calendar

May 1st- Early Release 12:50 p.m.

May 2nd - Elementary Expressions and
BOGO Book Fair

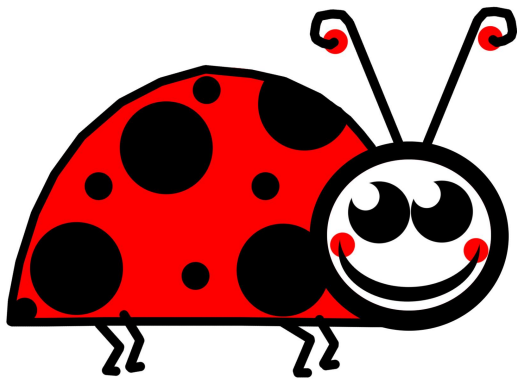
May 27th- Memorial Day- No School

May 28th- Leap Day

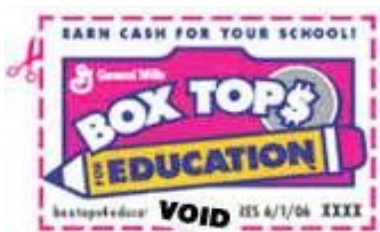
May 29th- Parade Day

Last Day of School

Early Release 12:50 p.m.



Don't Forget To Turn In Boxtops



New Coupon

S.O.A.R.

Self-Control

Open-mindedness

Achieve

Respect... Self, Others, Learning

Progress South students are learning
to S.O.A.R!



Homework

Every night your child should spend 15 minutes reading and/or listening to a story. Along with reading, your child should spend a few minutes reviewing their sight word list and addition and subtraction facts up to ten. See the attached page for specific ideas to work on this month.

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May Homework

Reading:

Read every day, focus on one of these:

- After reading or listening to a story, practice asking and answering questions related to the story. You can break this task up by reading a page or two and then see what kind of questions you can ask. Your child needs to ask a question that they can find the answer in the book.
- If reading a nonfiction story, can your child tell you the main idea? Ask them what helped them figure out the main idea? What evidence from the story was there to help.
- After reading or listening to a fiction story can your child tell you the central message? The central message is a lesson the character(s) learned. What evidence was in the book that led to the central message?

Math:

Continue to practice addition and subtraction facts to ten.

Listed below are some websites that your child can use to practice math skills.

- ABCya.com
- mathplayground.com
- Khanacademy.org
- Xtramath.org
- Funbrain.com

Writing:

Practice writing complete sentences with correct capitalization and punctuation. Some ideas for writing can include:

- Write a joke
- Write a letter to a friend
- Write a story
- Write sentences with your sight words
- Help make the grocery list
- Write your schedule for the day