

First Grade Newsletter

May 2-May 10th

Phonics

In unit 12B, we will be focusing on decoding words that contain the "aw" vowel pattern.

Reading

The Superkids story selections for the week include Up at Dawn and Tex McGraw's Visit.

Memory Words

Test: Thursday, May 9th

Please practice the 10 memory words listed on the attached sheet with your child. They should be able to read each word with fluency.

Math

- Ways to Represent Data
- Read and Make Picture Graphs
- Read and Make Bar Graphs
- Read and Make Tally Marks

Spelling

Test: Friday, May 10th

Please see the attached spelling list. This consists of 5 "aw" pattern words and 5 memory words. There are two bonus words as well. The students will be expected to spell all words correctly when dictated to them.

Upcoming Events

- Grandparents Week in the Library- Preboy 2:00 on 5/7
O'Halloran 9:00 on 5/9
- May 13th - PTO Mangia Pizza Fundraiser
- May 14th - Late Start

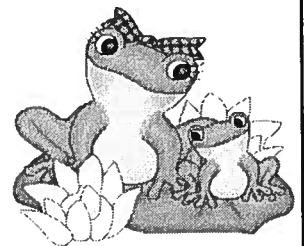
Writing

The students have been working on the different elements that are needed in narrative writing and began drafting narrative stories.



Science

The students are learning about animals babies and how they are similar but not the same as their parents. We will be working on this unit throughout the month of May.



Please cut apart the spelling words below and practice reading and spelling them at home.

law

saw

dawn

lawn

crawl

come

coming

they

our

put

*critters

*awful

Please cut apart the Memory Words below and practice reading them at home.

tidy

animals

awfully

closer

grand

litter

winner

scrubbed

freckles

prize

Name _____

Family: Listen to your child read the story. By practicing a few times this week, he should read more smoothly and with fewer mistakes.

Up at Dawn

"I wish we could see animals like Tex McGraw does," said Tic.

"Yes," said Cass, "not just dull, tame animals like Golly."

Golly put his jaw on his paws. But Tic and Cass didn't see him acting sad.

Tic was saying to Cass, "Sleep over, and we'll get up at dawn and look for animals."

"O.K.!" said Cass.

The girls got up at dawn and went out to Tic's lawn.

"I feel awfully sleepy," said Cass with a big yawn.

Just then, they saw two little fawns.

"Aw!" whispered Tic. "They're cute."

The girls crawled closer.

Suddenly, Golly leaped up and the fawns ran off!

Cass giggled. "Golly showed us that he's not so dull and tame, didn't he?"



Reading HOMEWORK this week: _____

Students should read the story to an adult on three different occasions, sign below, and send back to school on or before 5/9

1. _____

2. _____

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Rapid Word Chart - Memory Words - Due on or before May 9th

tidy	animals	prize	freckles	winner
awfully	closer	scrubbed	litter	tidy
grand	litter	animals	awfully	closer
winner	scrubbed	grand	animals	winner
freckles	prize	closer	scrubbed	grand

Read each word in the chart as fast as you can. Record your times in the boxes below. The more you practice these words, the faster you will get!

Trial 1:	Trial 2:	Trial 3:	Trial 4:	Trial 5:
Trial 6:	Trial 7:	Trial 8:	Trial 9:	Trial 10:

Name: _____ Time Keeper: _____

