

First Grade News

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Curriculum

Reading - At Home Around the World

vocabulary: above, hold, warm, different, old, water, years

Language - Using he, she, it, they

Phonics - long e and i spelled with y

Spelling - jelly, belly, bunny, funny, furry, hurry, take, came, world, over

Math - Addition/Subtraction

Science - Savannah

Important Dates

March 19 - End of third quarter

March 25 - Last day for students before break
-Grade cards home
-Book-it forms due
-March book reports due

April 6 - Classes Resume

Book-it

March is the last month for the Book-it reward program through Pizza Hut. The last one is due March 25. We hope you have enjoyed this reward for your nightly reading!

Math

Next week as we re-visit addition and subtraction, we will introduce the students to a new strategy called Touchpoints. When using this system with addition, you say, "I touch the largest number, say its name, and continue counting." In subtraction, you say, "I touch the top number, say its name, and count backwards." As you count on, or back, count once for each dot, twice for each circled dot. Look for sets of Touchpoint cards to come home in the take-home folder. Please use these at home but keep in the folder for

use in school.