



## The First Grade Forecast

I am so excited to FINALLY see some snow! I know the students are too. I hope you are able to get out and enjoy it this weekend. I believe some sledding will be in order at my house! ©

During centers this week we have practiced short vowel sounds, sight words, story writing, and compound words. Next week we will practice blends and story comprehension. In language arts we continue to learn about fairy tales. Next week we will dive into come reader's theatre scripts involving fairy tales.

Our word of the week was chatter. Students have discussed the meaning of the word chatter. We have discussed the many places where it is appropriate to chatter and times when it is inappropriate. The word chatter has been added to our vocabulary notebooks.

In Math we have begun learning about time. We have talked about digital clocks and analogue clocks. We have learned about the hour hand and minute hand. We have discussed time to the hour. We will continue this concept next week and also practice time to the half hour. This week we talked a lot about Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. We have learned why we honor him and learned about his many accomplishments.

We did not begin our unit on Polar Regions and oceans this week. We focused our social studies time on Dr. King. Next week we will begin our unit on the Polar Regions and oceans.

The students received five new Dolch words to add to their word bag. Please be sure to practice these words each night.

Enjoy the snow! I know the students are beyond excited!

Warmly,

Upcoming Events:

Jan. 16- No School- MLK Day

Jan. 19- Family Education Night

Jan 27- 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School ©

