

# October

We've had a great start to the year with each student learning the routines that will be in place for the year. It is a priority in our classroom that everyone feel comfortable and cared for.

Communication Baggies: Thank you for checking the planner and sending back the communication baggies on a daily basis. Please continue to do so as this is an efficient means of communication.

Homework: The word wall words learned during the week will continue to be sent home each Friday in the green duotangs. Please review these words so they become familiar. Your support in making homework a routine is greatly appreciated!

Reading: So far, we have focused on developing independent reading habits (i.e. Picking 'Just-Right Books', S-T-R-E-T-C-H-I-N-G out sounds, Looking for letter chunks and small words in bigger words, etc.). These strategies will continue to be reinforced along with 'Checking For Understanding' in which the students stop after reading 2-3 pages to retell what they just read making sure they comprehend the text they are reading.

Writing: This month we will focus on writing 'Recounts' in which the students write about an event that has already happened. Students will be encouraged to write sentences that make sense with word wall words spelled accurately.

Math: We are beginning our 'Number Sense' unit in which the students will learn to read, represent, compare and order whole numbers to 100.

Thanks again and have a wonderful month!

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