

# First Grade News—October 2009

## Reading

- Concepts—left to right tracking, main idea, 1:1 correspondence.
- Focus on strategies for decoding and monitoring comprehension.
- Building stamina to read for longer periods of time

## Writing

- Idea generation
- Spacing between words
- Beginning capitalization
- Proper letter formation
- Writing a complete sentence
- Pattern Books



## Word Work

- Beginning and ending sounds
- Short vowel sounds
- Rhyming words
- Word wall activities

## Social Studies

- Autumn (pumpkins, changing of leaves)
- Columbus Day
- Fire Safety

## Science

- 1G, 1E, 1H—Weather Unit
- 1Gr, 1O—Human Body Unit



## Math

- Number Sense (counting up and back by 1s on the number grid, counting by 2s to 40, and 5s to 100)
- Telling time to the nearest hour
- Exchanging pennies for nickels
- Number models

## Enrichment

Enrichment occurs daily in e room in a variety of ways, in

- Independent journal writing
- Reading and word work extensions
- Open-ended questioning
- Flexible grouping



## Dates to Remember

**Oct. 12**— No School—  
Columbus Day

**Oct. 14**—12:00 Dismissal—School Improvement Day

**Oct. 30**—Report Cards go home