First Grade News

New Hope Elementary
August 19-23, 2013

Important Notes:

- Parents remember students can begin arriving at 7:05 in the morning. They will be marked tardy at 7:45. Please try and arrive as early as possible. We have had some issues with traffic due to so many people waiting to drop their child off at 7:30.

- If you want to eat a school lunch with your child please send in a note notifying the teacher if you would like to order a sandwich or salad tray. Salads and sandwich orders must be submitted in the morning.

- Ice-cream is on Wednesday. Everything is $1.00. Please send the money in your child's money pouch. This money cannot be combined with their lunch money.

- Attendance notes and transportation notes should not be written in the agenda. When notes are given to the teacher they must be sent to the office for approval. Please send in a separate note for attendance and transportation.

- Its fundraiser time. Please remember to share our school fundraiser with your family and friends. This fundraiser is a big help to our school and to your child's teacher . The fundraiser is due **August 23, 2013.**

Dear Parents,
Thank you to those of you who were able to attend curriculum night. If you were not able to attend and have questions, please get in contact with your child's teacher. We will begin bench-mark assessments for reading and math next week. Due to this testing the students will not be given a weekly assessment for the next two weeks and sight word folders may not be checked. This testing is important data for the teachers to collect. We ask that you speak with your child about their behavior prior to these weeks; we want every student to have the teacher's attention, and a quiet and fair testing environment. Thank you for all of your help with this matter.
-The First Grade Teachers

HOMEWORK:

Homework can be found in your child's BEE book. This is just for practice, however, they may turn it in at the end of the week for a prize. Please complete the weekly math work, study sight words, and review phonics journal every night.

This Weeks Highlights:

Phonics: reviewing short vowel sounds

Reading Skill: ask and answer questions to help determine or clarify the meaning of words and phrases in a text, and use illustrations and details ina text to describe its key ideas, cause and effect

Writing: narrative writing, fairy tales, and 6+1 trait (ideas)

Math: number recognition, counting objects in sets, creating tally charts, and graphing

Social Studies: learning your city, state, country

Science: weather/seasons