
Mangrove Class Newsletter

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Kindergarten/1st grade

South Broward
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The snack calendar, sent home monthly, will provide a nutritional guideline for accepted snacks. The snack will be provided daily for all students, according to this schedule.

The students will have access at home to the science and social studies lessons. The ID and passwords are identical to the I-ready one. The link for the Studies Weekly website can be found on page 3 of this Newsletter.

The required homework is 30 minutes every day of I-ready.
Monday/Wednesday is Reading, Tuesday/Thursday is Math.

For **Writing**, everyone will be working on the WriteSteps program for their respective grades. This month the children will work on the concept of narrative writing using temporal words and possessive nouns.

In **Reading** the Kindergarteners will work on poetry, fiction, and non-fiction (Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See?, Planting a Rainbow, and Winter Literature). The first graders will work on poetry, fiction, non-fiction (Winter Unit: Snowman, The Snowy Day, and Winter Reading Passages).

In **Language**, the Kindergarteners will be introduced to the Waseca Towers (short vowels and consonant blends), Word Family Boxes, Days of the Week, Months of the Year, Colors and Sentence Building. The first graders will continue their phonemic awareness and reading skills with the help of the Waseca towers and will be introduced to compound words, plural nouns and adjectives. Both grade levels will work on their respective level on Primary Phonics workbooks and comprehension books.

In **Mathematics**, the Kindergarteners will continue with numeration lessons for numbers 1-20 with the previously taught lessons. They will also lessons – numbers up to 100, and geometric shapes. The first graders

Things to remember:

- a) **December 25th to January 8th NO SCHOOL (Winter Break)**
- b) **Read every night with your child.**
- c) Aftercare payments **MUST** be made by the due date
- d) **Tardiness:** It is a disruption to the student and the class, please make sure your child arrives to school on time. **Reading instruction takes place in the first hour of class; therefore, tardiness will hinder your child from developing age-appropriate reading skills.**
- e) Please make sure to pack your child a **bottle of water every day.**
- f) Have your child practice reading their assigned **Sight Words and spelling words every day!**

will work on place value with numbers up to 9999, double plus/minus one addition strategies and fraction concepts. Both grade levels will work on decomposing numbers with the help of the Montessori materials.

In **Social Studies** the Kindergarteners will work on Studies Weekly: Week 14 Earth, Week 15: Maps and Globes, Week 22: Holidays Around the World. The first graders will work on Montessori Lessons: Paper Map of Florida, and Studies Weekly: Week 15 Earth, Week 13: Festivals and Holidays.

In **Science** the Kindergarteners will work on Studies Weekly: Week 6: Earth and Space Science – Weather; and Science Exploration Centers. The first graders will work on Montessori Lessons: Seasons Demonstration, Studies Weekly: Week 6: Earth and Space and Science Exploration Centers.

Useful links:

<https://www.studiesweekly.com/>

[\(for the studies weekly use the same Login ID and password from i-Ready\)](#)

<https://www.Xtramath.org/>

Login.i-Ready.com

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Please allow 24 hours for us to respond.

To help our students memorize their **addition** facts we encourage you to take advantage of the free activities on the xtramath.org. They also have an app for the iPad and tablets. It is essential that we work together for our children's academic progress and character building by taking time to help them improve the areas which challenge them.

It is imperative that you read with your child every night for at least 20 minutes. If you show enthusiasm they will feel reading is an exciting, pleasant experience.

Please use the **Pre-Primer, Primer, and First Grade Sight Word Lists** on our Class page to practice the sight words. We recommend printing them on card stock and using them as flashcards.