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# Mangrove Class Newsletter

Mrs. Delia & Mrs. Natalia  
Kindergarten/1<sup>st</sup> grade

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## February 2018

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The students will take part of our **Read-A-Thon**. The students are expected to log 20+ hours /day. Let`s spread the word and raise the target amount of \$75/ student and \$10,000 school-wide. The students will get to tape Mrs. Delia and Mrs. Natalia to a wall, if we meet our goal for donations and minutes spent reading!

Using the list in the Social Studies and Science section, have your child login and work on those lessons on the StudiesWeekly.com. The guided reading bulletin for each web lesson is a valuable tool to improve their reading skills.

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 informative/explanatory writing, and opinionated writing.

In **Reading** the Kindergarteners will work on poetry, fiction, and non-fiction literature (National Geographic Kids: Weather, Journeys Lesson 22: Growing Up, Happy to Be Me, Leo The Late Bloomer, It`s ok to be Different). The first graders will work on poetry, fiction, non-fiction literature, poetry and a play (Journeys Lesson 15:Animal Picnic,and the Insect Unit: Ladybugs, The Grouchy Ladybug, and Ladybugs).

In **Language**, the Kindergarteners will be continue working with the Waseca Towers (short vowels, silent “e” 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

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### Things to remember:

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- a) **February, 19<sup>th</sup> NO SCHOOL**
- b) **February 22<sup>nd</sup> Early Release Day**
- c) **Read every night with your child.**
- d) Aftercare payments **MUST** be made by the due date
- e) **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 our students from developing age-appropriate reading skills.**
- f) Please make sure to pack your child a **bottle of water every day.**
- g) Have your child practice reading their assigned **Sight Words and spelling words every day!**

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 work on numeration up to 100 and geometric shapes. The first graders 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. The kindergarteners will work on subtraction and addition up to 20. The first graders will work on tally charts, pictographs and bar graphs. They will also work on adding and subtracting with regrouping.

In **Social Studies** the Kindergarteners will work on Studies Weekly: Week 21 Which Way?, Week 9: Where Do You Live?, Week 15 Seasons, and Montessori Lesson :Paper Map Of Florida (Major Cities and Bodies of Water). The first graders will work on Studies Weekly: Week 10: Changes of Transportation, Week 25: Communities, Week 26 Changes in Communities, and Week 28: Goods and Services Earth.

In **Science** the Kindergarteners will work on Studies Weekly: Week 2: Life Science – Plants; and Montessori Lessons: Plant Needs/ Life Cycle of a Bean Plant, Fish/ Parts of a Fish, and Amphibians/ Parts of a Frog. The first graders will work on Studies Weekly: Week 2: Life Science – Plants; and Montessori Lessons: Plant Needs/ Life Cycle of a Bean Plant, Fish/ Parts of a Fish, and Amphibians/ Parts of a Frog.

**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](http://Login.i-Ready.com)

[Tickettoread.com](http://Tickettoread.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](http://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.