

First Grade News

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Research Center  <i>Don't forget your library book!</i> Reading Jogs Your Mind Wear jogging clothes	Gym  <i>Don't forget your gym shoes!</i> NO SCHOOL Election Day 	Music 	Art 	ISM  Mis-Match DAY
March 9	March 10	March 11	March 12	March 13

Dear Parents,

Welcome to MARCH! It's hard to believe we are already in March. Here are some highlights from the week:

This week in **reading** we read stories about how animals and people work together. We learned about guide dogs and how guide dogs are trained. We also learned about Koko the gorilla. Koko was a gorilla that learned to communicate with sign language. Next week we will be starting Unit 5.

In **word study**, we learned about LONG E with a /y/ like in bunny and /ey/ like in monkey. Next week we will practice a new pattern.

In **writing**, students continued to learn about PROCEDURAL WRITING. We will continue this next week.

In **math**, we worked on Unit 5. This unit is all about practicing word problems using the BEST strategy for each student. Your child might like bridge to 10, or they might like counting on.

In **social studies**, we are learning about voting. Everyone is excited that election day is on Tuesday! If you are planning to vote, bring your child so they can see this civic duty in action.

In **science**, we are learning about sound. We explored sounds around us and played some instruments. We will continue this exploration next week.

Enjoy the weekend!

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Important Dates:

March – March is Reading month Read at home and watch for spirit days!

10th – – – Voting Day! NO SCHOOL

13th – – – Bagel Day (presale only)
 School Store cart

17th – – – Spirit Day- Wear GREEN

27th – – – California Pizza Kitchen fundraiser

Subjects at a glance:

Reading: story elements, text structure, retellings, phonological awareness

Writing: Handwriting, inventive spelling, procedures

Math: Unit 5 --- Place Value Situations

Science: Sound

Social Studies: Voting and Elections

Oakbrook's School Improvement Goals:

Oakbrook's School Improvement goals are Reading, Writing, Math, Social Studies, and Science. You can see what we are currently working on to the left in our weekly note.