

SEPTEMBER 1ST GRADE PARENT RESOURCES

In addition to miscellaneous resources sent home throughout the year (e.g., Progress Report attachments and information on Report Cards and classroom newsletters), the 1st grade teachers would like to share some resources and ideas for your use at home each month! As always, please contact your child's teacher with questions and thank you for your continued support!

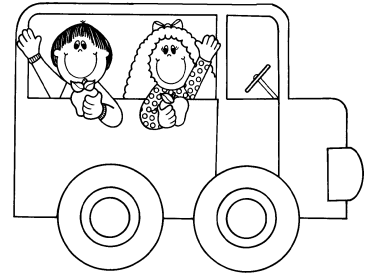
Websites of the Month:

Math Number Sense

Play *Guess My Number!* Students can choose their own level of difficulty.
<http://www.funbrain.com/guess/index.html>

Starfall

Fun reading activities from students who are getting ready to read to students who are well launched in reading
<http://www.starfall.com>



Math Idea:

Play "Top It." Use a deck of cards, remove Jack, Queen, King and Ace. Shuffle cards. Place them in one pile. Each player takes a card from the top of the pile, turns it over, and says the number on the card. The player who has the larger number takes both cards. If the two cards show the same number, each player takes another card from the top of the pile. The player with the larger number takes all of the cards facing up. The game is over when all of the cards have been taken. The player with the most cards wins. This game can be played with 2-4 players (add another deck for more players).

Language Arts Idea:

Play scrambled sentences. With your child, write a sentence on a piece of paper. Cut up the sentence word by word. Put the sentence back in the correct order. Write more sentences! Time yourself putting the sentence back together! Write and cut up two sentences to put back together!

Writing Ideas:

Write a story to follow the Days of the Week (familiar sequence) story pattern. Your story could be titled: "Bobby's Week." Follow the story pattern, "On Monday, Bobby _____. On Tuesday, Bobby _____. On Wednesday, Bobby _____." Illustrate your story. Share your story with your family! Celebrate writing!

Social Studies Idea:

Make a chart illustrating "Needs and Wants." Use magazines, newspapers, clipart, images from the internet, etc. to sort items/objects between a need or a want. Water would be a need. Clothing would be a need. Wii would be a want. Barbies/Action figures would be a want.