



First Grade May Newsletter

The Villages Charter School Primary



Teacher Tidbits

It is hard to believe that the final month of school is here! With just a few weeks left, students will be wrapping up first grade and celebrating their many accomplishments. We enjoyed learning about our environment and sharing our Garbage Monsters. It was fun for all. Please be on the lookout for important upcoming dates, such as end-of-the-year programs, AR celebration, and more! Also, please keep an eye on your PI time. Don't wait until the last minute...you can check out books from our library to earn informational hours, or look for information on volunteering for field day or the pancake breakfast.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. You can write a note in the binder or email me at dianne.vanvoorhees@tvcs.org. Thanks for a great year! ☺

Mrs. Van Voorhees

Spelling Words

April 30-May 4

fair	share
pair	they've
bear	enjoy
wear	favorite
spare	surprise

May 7-11: No Excuse Words

can't	know
come	no
first	next
friend	new
here	of

May 14-18 No Excuse Words

pretty	want
said	went
then	were
they	with
two	your

This month's reading themes:

- April 30-May 4: Share the Harvest and Give Thanks (non-fiction)
- May 7-11: Animal Research Project
- May 14-18: Rainforest, Ocean
- May 21-25: Summer, Vacation, Friendship

What are Animal Research Projects?

Students will have the opportunity to research a specific animal using various materials, including books and online resources. They will then use the information they find to write an essay about their animal. Students have a great time with this in-class project!

Upcoming Math

- April 30-May 4: "Getting Ready for Second Grade" math skills
- May 7-11: "Getting Ready for Second Grade" math skills
- May 14-18: Students will practice and review fact fluency (sums to 20 and subtraction)
- May 21-25: Review previous skills with end of the year math centers

Upcoming Events

- May 1: Buffalo Pride Meeting
- May 9: Arts in the Park 6:00-7:30
- May 10-16: End of Course Exams for Special Areas
- May 11: Last Day to AR Test
- May 17: Second Grade Tour
- May 18: Field Day
- May 21: Pancake Breakfast for students who met the 25 points (with 80% or better Comprehension) AR goal!
- May 25: Last day of school! Have a great summer! ☺

Science and Social Studies

Social Studies: We will wrap up our unit on Natural Resources and work on an Economic unit including wants/needs and goods/services.

Science: We will complete units on animals, rainforests, and oceans.

