

Bulldog News @ Grant Elementary School

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A cooperative school & home newsletter for the Grant School community.



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March's Theme:

COOPERATION

is working together to reach shared goals

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KINDERGARTEN NEWS: Mrs. Romba & Ms. Martinez

March came in like a lion, hopefully it will go out like a lamb. We celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday with a very special guest reader, The Cat in the Hat! Just in time for the Spring, we are learning about reading and blends, 'Is It Alive?', and animal needs. Book club with Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Walker's classes has been fun. Reading and learning about blends along with addition are keeping us busy. Don't forget to wear green on St. Patrick's Day!

FIRST GRADE NEWS: Mrs. Kelly, Ms. Walker, & Mrs. Conversano

February flew by and March has flown in! We have enjoyed some special assemblies recently, including learning about recycling, learning about the water cycle, and the sixth grade's Wax Museum. We are working to learn and grow together each day. March is Read Across America Month, with many new stories to look forward to. We appreciate your continued efforts in making sure they have appropriate support at home; the difference made for our 1st grade students shows! In math, we are beginning Topic 9 - Comparing Numbers. We have learned how to show tens and ones as a model, find them on a number chart, look for patterns in how they are composed, and show numbers in many forms (number, word, models, and equations). Now we are comparing numbers to each other. We also work regularly on our basic addition and subtraction facts to 20. In ELA, we have been reading stories that celebrate diversity. We are also working on writing. We are giving more opportunities for students to generate ideas for their writing. In our spelling, we have been working on sight words and word families. We are circling back to many of these patterns in class, allowing students to build their written vocabulary. Please continue to practice this at home by telling and writing stories. We are learning about living things in Science. We are seeing that patterns exist here as well as we look at life cycles. In our social studies series, we have been exploring the Five Themes of Geography. Homework is released in Google Classroom daily. Students should be reading daily, along with practicing addition and subtraction facts. Please work on independence in preparing to go outside (putting on and zipping coats, hats, and gloves/mittens) to help ensure a smooth dismissal process in the colder weather. Please reach out with your guestions or concerns, we are here to help.



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SECOND GRADE NEWS: Mrs. Dinkjian and Mrs. Spina

The second graders are beginning their independent reading in class. They are utilizing paper books provided by our school. Once they have finished reading each book, they are completing a writing assignment in their journals. In math we continue to use our manipulatives to better understand math concepts. We are presently working on understanding the value of coins. Please allow your children to have real world experiences with money outside of school. For example, when shopping, ask them to calculate the cost of the items you purchase, and what change you should expect to receive. Please make sure your child continues to read on Raz Kids every night. It would be wonderful and extremely helpful to your child if you would discuss their books and readings with them.

Save the Date

