This Week in First Grade

January 21-24

**Phonics:** This week, we will introduce the –ng digraph (ang, ong, ing, ung). Some examples are bang, cling, hung, and long. These letter combinations are read as chunks. Even though the 3 letters have individual sounds, the sounds are very closely glued together. The week’s sight words are **could, should** and **would**. We will test –ng on Friday, January 24th.

**Reader’s Workshop:** We will wrap up our Teamwork unit. We will discuss how Pop’s Bridge (Literature) and How Did They Build That Bridge? (Informational) are different from each other. We will also read an informational article about Bridges. Our readers will use what they’ve learned about bridges and teamwork to build their own bridge with their classmates!

**Writer’s Workshop**: Our little authors will continue writing their small moments. They will make a movie in their mind, tell each event across their fingers, sketch the events of their small moment and write sentences to match their illustrations.

**Math:** Our mathematicians are learning addition and subtraction strategies. We are working on Counting On, Counting Back, and Make a 10. We will continue to work on Make a Ten subtraction this week.

**Social Studies/Science**: Our scientists will continue to work on our Germs unit. We will also incorporate some Martin Luther King Jr. activities.