

THIS WEEK IN FIRST GRADE

May 20-21

Phonics: Our focus this week will be to read and spell long i words spelled with the pattern ie and igh. There is no spelling rule for ie and igh. Therefore, we will only practice reading the words. Some examples include: bright, flight, pie, tie. Our sight words are favorite, first, over and give. **THERE WILL NOT BE A SPELLING TEST THIS WEEK.**

Reader's Workshop: The students will orally compare and contrast the characters and experiences using the stories The Great Kapok Tree and Just a Dream. They will research their favorite rainforest animal. They will research where they live, what they eat, what they look like and some fun facts. We will also read Diary of a Worm. Our awesome readers will describe the characters in this story.

Writer's Workshop: We will wrap up our All About unit. The students will finish up publishing and will share their All About. We will begin our last writing unit of the year, which is Opinion Letter Writing. We will begin by writing a friendly letter and discussing all of the parts (date, salutation, body, closing and signature).

Math: Our mathematicians will continue to work on place value. They will use manipulatives, pictures and strategies to help them solve problems within 100. They will also work on mentally subtracting and adding 10 to any given number under 100.

Science/Social Studies: We will continue with our Insect Unit, as well as complete some Social Emotional Learning (SEL) activities.