

# This Week in First Grade

April 15-18

**Phonics:** Our focus this week will be to read and spell words with long o spelled with an *oa* and *ow*. Long o is usually spelled with the *oa* team in the middle of a base word and with the *ow* team at the end of a base word. Some examples include: blow, grow, float, and soap. Our sight words are *earth*, *move* and *world*. We will be spending 2 weeks on this phonics concept. **WE WILL TEST NEXT FRIDAY, APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup>.**

**Reader's Workshop:** We will be reading *The Lorax*. Using this book, the students will use illustrations and details in a story to describe the major events. We will also be reading some Easter/spring stories.

**Writer's Workshop:** Our authors will begin a new writing unit. Our next unit is All About. We will discuss and record things that we know a lot about such as, dogs, cats, Minecraft, frogs, etc. The students will begin to draft their ideas onto a writing web.

**Math:** We will start our next Module. Our mathematicians will use a variety of math strategies to solve addition and subtraction word problems. We will use a variety of graphic organizers and manipulatives.

**Science:** We will begin our Insects unit. We will begin by making a list of things that we know about bugs. Our scientists will look at various insects and complete a sort based on whether or not they like the insect. We will also discuss the importance of various insects.