

# THIS WEEK IN FIRST GRADE

NOVEMBER 12-15

**Phonics:** This week our focus will be on reading and spelling words with s and l blends. Some examples include: stop, slop, slip, and skit. Our sight words this week are been, want and who. We will introduce the other blends next week. WE WILL NOT TEST THIS WEEK. WE WILL TEST ALL OF THE BLENDS ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22.

**Reader's Workshop:** We will be launching our new unit called Teamwork. We will define the characteristics of a good team. We will read the story Swimmy. Using this book, we will use the illustrations and details in the story to describe the various characters.

**Writer's Workshop:** Our authors will continue with our How-To unit. We will focus on Temporal Words (First, Next, Then, Last) and students will add them in when writing out their steps. Our writers will also illustrate their steps. Over the next few weeks the kids will complete 2-3 How-To's.

**Math:** We will wrap up our Place Value unit. We will use the symbols  $<$ ,  $>$  and  $=$  when comparing numbers. If time permits, we will begin our next unit, which is using addition and subtraction within 20 to solve word problems. We will also introduce the Count on +1/Count back -1 addition and subtraction strategy.

**Social Studies:** . We will begin our Economics unit. We will begin by introducing the terms wants and needs. The students will discover the differences between the two and identify their own wants and needs.

**Health:** We will continue with our unit Why Do We Eat? In this unit we will discuss the importance of eating, how food works its way through our body and making healthy eating choices.