



K-1 News

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This week at school

We continued our science unit on the needs of living things. This week, the students learned that a habitat is a place that has what animals need to live. They also discovered that monarch caterpillars need to live in a habitat that has milkweed, as it is their only food source. The students are now going to figure out what plants need to live, so they can decide how to grow milkweed for the caterpillars!

Kindergarten

Reading – The kindergarten students listened to the book *Flower Garden* and discussed the story. They also learned the vocabulary words **snooze** and **drowsy**.

Shared Reading – The students practiced choral reading the big book *I Went Walking*. They learned 5 new sight words this week: **I, see, a, me, you**. Please keep practicing reading and writing these words at home. Look for a list of fun ways to practice sight words in your child’s Friday folder.

Writing – Kindergarten read the book *Titch* about a little boy and his siblings. Then, the students wrote stories about what they like to do with their families.

Math – The kindergarteners learned a few new games that focused on counting carefully. Ask your child to tell you about the games “Build It” and “Roll & Record”.

First Grade

Reading – The first graders read the book *Matthew and Tilly*. They made text-to-self connections and talked about the message of the story. They learned the vocabulary words **rescue, crabby, stomp, and wonder**.

Shared Reading – The students read the poem “Hippopotamus Stew.” The students rebuilt the poem and also acted it out. They also practiced different types of independent work such as word work, writing, and even listening to stories on the iPads.

Writing – The students learned about different parts of sentences. They worked in their skill practice book on parts of a sentence including singular and plural nouns and verbs.

Math - The students began Unit 2, which focuses on geometry. We are working on describing the attributes of 2D shapes like squares, triangles, rectangles, circles, hexagons, and trapezoids. The students are working to glue shapes into outlines and make designs out of shapes.

Specials Next Week

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lions	Art	P.E.	Wacky Wednesday	Music	No School – UF Homecoming
Tigers	Music	Art		P.E.	
Bears	P.E.	Music		Art	

*On P.E. days, your child must wear closed-toe shoes in order to be able to participate. Also, your child may bring a water bottle to take to P.E. Make sure your child’s water bottle is labeled with his/her name.

Important Announcements

The K-1 students will have Wacky Wednesday next week. The first grade students will remain in the community working with Mrs. V and our interns. The kindergarten students will go to music, art, and P.E. All kindergarten students should wear sneakers on Wednesday.

There is no school on Friday, October 6th. We will be closed for UF Homecoming.

Don't forget that our field trip forms are due on Monday! All students need to bring a signed permission slip. If you are interested in chaperoning, please fill out the chaperone form and send \$8.00 (cash or a check made out to UF).

We are currently collecting items for our carnival auction baskets. Please look in your child's folder for an informational flyer about this!

On the Calendar

Monday, October 2 – Field Trip Forms Due
Wednesday, October 4 – Wacky Wednesday for K-1
Friday, October 6 – No School; UF Homecoming
Friday, October 13 – K/1 Field Trip to the Butterfly Museum
Tuesday, October 17 – End of the 1st 9 Weeks
Friday, October 20 – No School; Teacher Workday
Monday, October 23 – Picture Re-takes
Friday, October 27 – Report Cards sent home (1st grade only)
Friday, November 3 – Fall Carnival

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