

CLASS NEWS

First Grade Friday Post | Week of Oct. 7, 2019

EVENTS

Conference Day, Grades 2-8 (no school): Oct. 18

Staff Day (no school): Oct. 21

Nov. 1: Fun Run

Nov. 15: Field Trip to the De Young

JUST A NOTE

De Young Field Trip

Our field trip to the De Young Museum in San Francisco is coming up on November 15. Keep an eye on your email for driver sign-ups. Each class will need 5-7 drivers.

WHAT WE'RE LEARNING

Social-Emotional Learning

First graders are learning about emotions, why we have them, and how to regulate them. We learned about the [Zones of Regulation](#), emphasizing that everyone (including our teachers) experiences difficult emotions, and everyone has tools to self-regulate.

Literacy

Students are growing in their ability to choose "just right" books, sustain focused, independent reading, and collaborate with a reading partner. We are continuing to write small moment books, learning how punctuation can help our reader know how we want our story to be read.

Math

We introduced subtraction, which tends to be one of the most challenging concepts for first graders. Encourage your child to practice their subtraction skills in the real world by making up math stories with them. For example, "You have six grapes on your plate. I just ate two of them! Do you have more or fewer grapes now? How many grapes are left?"

REMINDERS

- ★ **We are not holding conferences on Oct. 18 or 21, as we held them last month.** Thank you for your time! We loved getting to know you.
- ★ Please label jackets, water bottles, etc. with your child's first and last name.
- ★ Bring in clean/rinsed-out recyclables for our creative play during Choice Time.

