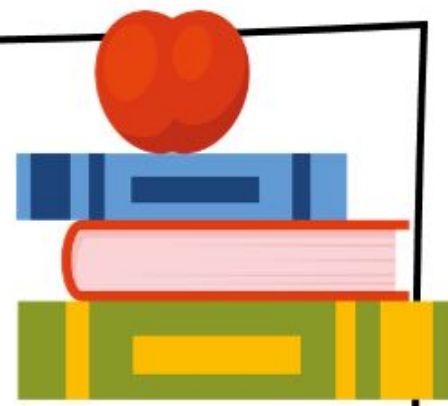


# OUR CLASSROOM newsletter



## OCTOBER 2024

**Dear First Grade Families,**

I can't believe that it's already October! The first quarter of first grade has really flown by. On October 16 and 17 I'm looking forward to Parent-Teacher Conferences and getting to share with you all the great things your children are doing and learning in first grade! Please sign up [HERE](#) for a conference time.

**Book Fair & Readathon:** There's lots of information coming your way via Thursday Folders and Deerfield email about the upcoming Scholastic Book Fair and the Read-a-thon Fundraiser. If you have questions, please reach out!

October 8 will be **fire safety day** for 1st and 5th graders. Local firefighters will be visiting the classroom to teach students about fire safety and to give them some practice in their "safety house".

**Thursday Folders:** As you've probably seen, I've switched out many envelopes for two-pocket folders because the folders are easier for the students to pack. The new folders say "Take Home Folder". A couple of students preferred the envelope. Thanks for returning the Take-Home/Thursday folders each week!

**Breakfast** is served beginning at 7:35. Students who arrive closer to 8:00 can still eat breakfast but they are missing our Morning Meeting between 8:00 and 8:20. The earlier they arrive the more time they have to eat breakfast and not miss greeting their friends and sharing.

**Wish List:** If you would like to contribute something to the classroom, I am always in need of sugar free gum, fruit snacks, and prizes for the Goldslip Store. I also supply snacks for students who need them and would welcome any healthy snack donations for our snack tub (granola bars, applesauce, individually wrapped bags of pretzels, crackers, etc.) Thank you!

**Ms. Day**

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### **CALENDAR**

Oct. 8: 1st Grade Fire Safety Day  
Oct. 10: End of 1st Quarter  
Oct. 10: Picture Day  
Oct. 10: Fall Party 2:00-2:50  
Oct. 11: **NO SCHOOL**  
Oct. 14-17: Book Fair  
Oct. 14-21: Read-a-thon  
Oct. 16: Conferences 3:30-7pm  
Oct. 17: Conferences 7:30-7pm & **NO SCHOOL**  
Oct. 18: **NO SCHOOL**  
Nov. 1 & 4: Ms. Day absent

### **PRACTICE @ HOME:**

*Keep reading those stories and doing the homework! The structure of our reading program allows YOU to have a front row seat to your child's reading development. And it's pretty amazing to watch them get better and better week by week! Everything that gets sent home has already been taught and practiced and getting one more dose of practice at home helps solidify the skills they are learning. Remember to sign and return stories and homework for goldslips!*