

# First Grade News and Notes

If you need to leave a message for your child's teacher, please use the voicemail number: 571-4073. Then dial the appropriate extension: Mrs. Walsh-1511; Mrs. Heitholt-1512; Mrs. Campbell-1514, Mrs. Meyer-1515. Remember that we may not be able to check messages before the end of the day. Contact us by email at : [rwalsh@ccs.k12.in.us](mailto:rwalsh@ccs.k12.in.us); [jheithol@ccs.k12.in.us](mailto:jheithol@ccs.k12.in.us); [bcampbel@ccs.k12.in.us](mailto:bcampbel@ccs.k12.in.us); [kmeyer@ccs.k12.in.us](mailto:kmeyer@ccs.k12.in.us). First grade lunch: 11:20-11:50 with recess following. First grade specials: 12:15-1:05.

Please, please, please return all completed homework & communication to office or teacher in the homework bag. Graded assignments should be removed from the GO folder and kept at home. When I "process" the homework bags each morning, I have a very small window of opportunity. It takes extra time to search and find the things I need if there are extra items included. If you are trying to keep high frequency words close at hand, please consider placing these in the "Go" folder as opposed to the homework bag. Thank you for helping your child develop this organizational skill and responsibility.

## Responsibility:

## Growth Opportunities for 1st

## Graders Offered Next Week



We have learned about the responsibilities of being in first grade during this first month of school. Next week, forgotten homework bags, not marking lunch choices and not putting names on papers will result in a clip down. Help your first grader by rein-

forcing this message over the weekend. Learning responsibility sometimes involves making a mistake or two. Let your child know that it is not the end of the world if he or she makes a mistake; just learn from it and move on. Mistakes are opportunities to learn and improve!

-Spelling pattern for next week: **short o**  
Sample words: **on, got, mom, top**  
-High frequency words to be given on the spelling test: **get, help, of, put, we, work**

\*\*\*Words with the **short 'o'** spelling pattern and the above listed **high frequency words** will be given on next Friday's **spelling test**.\*\*\*

The key words to be discussed will be **extended family, fun, parents, special, together,** and **visit**. Other academic vocabulary will include **group, idea, place, share,** and **trip**. Provide support by including these words in at home and car conversations.

**100 Book Club**-You should have received a yellow 100 Book Club booklet in your child's homework bag earlier this week. Becoming a member of the 100 Book Club should be a very easy goal to attain. Each night your child is reading for 15 minutes. Simply record the titles of the books read and voila—100 Book Club Member!