

Mrs. Novinsky - Grade 1 "Make Today Matter"

## From the Teacher's Desk



It is hard to believe the year is half over! The children have grown and learned so much since the start of the school year. They are working very hard. Their enthusiasm for everything we do makes each day a pleasure!

## Notes & Reminders



- Please make sure your children wear jackets, hats, and gloves.
- Remember water bottles.
- Work on addition and subtraction facts to twenty.
- Remember to initial planners daily.
- Read with and to your child as often as you can.
- We will soon be using full headings on papers. A sample copy will be sent home.





## Look What We Are Learning

<u>Religion</u>: The children are learning about the life of Jesus. We will then cover the Church and the Sacraments. Lent, The Three Days, and Easter will be a big focus for this quarter.

<u>Reading</u>: The theme for Unit 4 is Animals and What They Are Like. Many genres will be experienced through this. Comprehension skills will be expanded upon through our Readers/Writers Companion Workbooks. How our sight word knowledge is increasing! We have enjoyed the books of Jan Brett during read aloud time.

<u>Spelling</u>: Our word study will include long vowel combinations as well as word endings. We will now write sentences using our spelling words for homework.

Language: The children are learning about verbs. We will cover the tenses and helping verbs. The next stop is adjectives!

<u>Math</u>: The children will be studying place value to 120. We will also extend our work with addition and subtraction facts to twenty. Money and time are in our future.

<u>Social Studies</u>: We will be studying the history and traditions of the United States. National and state symbols, as well as monuments, will be covered.

<u>Science</u>: We are going to be studying animals and how they communicate. Animal parents, behaviors, and structures will be explored.