## 1<sup>s‡</sup> Grade Safari News What's been happening in our

classroom this week?

## Week 11

In math, we started a new chapter on numbers to 120. We are learning how to skip count by 1's, 2's and 10's and be able to read and write the numerals with a number and in word form. We are practicing using our hundreds chart as a tool to help us skip count, especially when we have to continue the pattern and find the missing numbers. We have practiced counting with fun exercise videos, songs and games (on abcmouse.com) also.

In Reading, we've been answering questions with question words like: Who, What, Where, When, Why and How using literary texts. We are practicing formulating our answers into complete sentences (either verbally and/or written) and making sure to use the text to support our answers.

In Social Studies we learned about early English settlers that set sail to explore America. We learned about the Jamestown settlement and how John Smith was an explorer. We discussed how Powhatan and the Native Americans interacted with the settlers and how Pocahontas helped them, too.

In Writing, we are learning to start our writing with a topic sentence and use temporal words (First, Next, Then.) to add our supporting details. We are practicing how to proofread/edit our work by color coding. We circle capitals with green and end punctuation with red. Most students have a goal of writing 3 complete sentences on their own.



Character Counts Pillar: Respect

October 31<sup>st</sup>~Dress like your favorite book character! This optional activity is a fun way to celebrate reading! See the green paper for more info.

Please make sure your child is reading TO you every night for at least 15 minutes! Document it on the Reading





Oct. 12~End of 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr./Beginning of Fall Break

Oct. 24~School resumes for students (normal day)

Oct. 31~Harvest Rotations & Dress up like your favorite book character!





Homework is given out on Fridays and is due the following Friday! Students will receive 5 Dojo points for turning in completed HW on



## <u>A Look Ahead to</u> <u>Next Week:</u>

**Reading:** Retell stories with key details; main idea Trick Words: friend, girl, know, play, read, she, sing, today, write CHALLENGE Words: settlers, colony **Phonics:** Digraphs; double final consonant (bonus letters...puff, bell, mess); glued sounds (-all, -am, an) Writing: Capitals, periods, spacing, phonetic spelling, write narratives Math: #'s to 120; place value Science/Social Studies: Native Americans & Pilgrims Citizenship: self-control; kindness