

Parents,

I can not believe we are nearing December already. Here are some things to remember for this month.

* Send **warm clothes** to school. This includes a coat, hat, boots, snow pants and gloves. It can be kept in a separate bag. We will be going outside daily throughout the winter and in all types of weather.
* **Next Tuesday is our trip to Farmington planetarium, and the Bolac fish and wildlife museum.**
* **Practice your play lines** and remember to **get costumes ready** for the **snow show.**
* **SNOW SHOW practice December 8th.** Bring your child to the Arts center at 8:00 am. We will do a final run-through there and then shuttle them back to school. Costumes will be needed for this.
* **Actual Snow Show is on Monday night the 11th at 5pm.** Please come early.

### **Kinder/1st Swim & Museum Day**

#### **Thursday, December 14 2023; 9:00 am - 3:30 pm**

We are in need of drivers and chaperones!!!

Our youngest students are unable to participate in the ski day events, but we have a fun field day planned. We will have some swim time at the Durango Recreation Center, and then we will explore at the Durango Powerhouse Museum! There will be fees for this trip,

as there are for the ski day trip. We are asking for $25/ student to cover entrance and transportation fees.

We do have some pool floaties, but please bring them if you have them. Your child will need to have a backpack with a plastic bag (for wet swimsuit), towel, dry clothes, comfy shoes, coat, water bottle, snack and lunch.

Please help us out to help prevent incurring any additional costs.

Be sure to sign up through [Track It Forward](https://www.trackitforward.com/site/pagosa-peak-open-school) so that you are able to log your volunteer hours.

This will be a super fun day, especially with your help!

**What we are up to in class**

**ELA**

**Here are the links to this week's words and work. I will also be sending packets for both cycles home today.**

**Finishing up Cycle 5**

[**https://curriculum.eleducation.org/curriculum/ela/grade-1/skillsblock-2/cycle-5**](https://curriculum.eleducation.org/curriculum/ela/grade-1/skillsblock-2/cycle-5)

**Introducing Cycle 6**

[**https://curriculum.eleducation.org/curriculum/ela/grade-1/skillsblock-2/cycle-6**](https://curriculum.eleducation.org/curriculum/ela/grade-1/skillsblock-2/cycle-6)

**MATH**

**We are currently on Unit 3 in math. We are working on adding and subtracting to 20. These are all the standards we will hit.**

* 1.OA.A.1 Use addition and subtraction within 20 to solve word problems involving situations of adding to, taking from, putting together, taking apart, and comparing, with unknowns in all positions, e.g., by using objects, drawings, and equations with a symbol for the unknown number to represent the problem.
* 1.OA.B.3 Apply properties of operations as strategies to add and subtract.
* 1.OA.C.5 Relate counting to addition and subtraction (e.g., by counting on 2 to add 2).
* 1.OA.C.6 Add and subtract within 20, demonstrating fluency for addition and subtraction within 10. Use strategies such as counting on; making ten (e.g., 8 + 6 = 8 + 2 + 4 = 10 + 4 = 14); decomposing a number leading to a ten (e.g., 13 - 4 = 13 - 3 - 1 = 10 - 1 = 9); using the relationship between addition and subtraction (e.g., knowing that 8 + 4 = 12, one knows 12 - 8 = 4); and creating equivalent but easier or known sums (e.g., adding 6 + 7 by creating the known equivalent 6 + 6 + 1 = 12 + 1 = 13).
* 1.OA.D.8 Determine the unknown whole number in an addition or subtraction equation relating three whole numbers.
* Here is a family letter for this unit. There is one in English and one in Spanish.
* [English Unit 3 Letter](https://our-static-curriculum-sites.s3.us-west-2.amazonaws.com/our-k5-math/20230922162519/downloads/en/pdf/ccss-grade_1-printable_family_letter-en.pdf?response-content-disposition=inline%3B%20filename%3D%22ccss-grade_1-printable_family_letter-en.pdf%22&X-Amz-Algorithm=AWS4-HMAC-SHA256&X-Amz-Credential=AKIAILJVGVAPV6NCCIKQ%2F20231101%2Fus-west-2%2Fs3%2Faws4_request&X-Amz-Date=20231101T183744Z&X-Amz-Expires=900&X-Amz-SignedHeaders=host&X-Amz-Signature=fad5c1d7a07785288ef3fa98f1fdbee6fd58a4bb1d0c444bb2bdf3ca776a91f1)
* [Spanish Unit 3 Letter](https://our-static-curriculum-sites.s3.us-west-2.amazonaws.com/our-k5-math/20230922162519/downloads/es/pdf/ccss-grade_1-printable_family_letter-es.pdf?response-content-disposition=inline%3B%20filename%3D%22ccss-grade_1-printable_family_letter-es.pdf%22&X-Amz-Algorithm=AWS4-HMAC-SHA256&X-Amz-Credential=AKIAILJVGVAPV6NCCIKQ%2F20231101%2Fus-west-2%2Fs3%2Faws4_request&X-Amz-Date=20231101T183829Z&X-Amz-Expires=900&X-Amz-SignedHeaders=host&X-Amz-Signature=169d6e434a10897cb05718ebd9c828ecb71483acbf67bc8775b53778c9f92304)

We are on Unit 15 today, adding 3 separate things using equations and word problems.

**Project Time**

**We are starting a new Unit called sun, moon and stars. It will incorporate science, poetry, and more. Here is the link to this unit's one pager that will give you a little bit more information.**

[Sun, Moon, and Stars One Pager.pdf](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1JLpRD-KPVBjgFv0v_oqktBDuQWlzTo0g/view?usp=sharing)

**Writing by Design**

We have been learning what makes a good writer and going over these six things…

Great ideas

organization

Voice

Word choice

Sentence fluency

Conventions

We are using what we have learned to write our first **personal Narrative.**

**Photos over the last month**

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