



- In Language, we have been working very hard at creating interesting and exciting stories. Students have been picking main characters, a setting and a problem to write a story that readers find interesting and exciting to read. We are always adding exciting words to add to our writing as well.
- Reading is still VERY important in our classroom. Please keep reading with your child at home. Encourage your child to read daily, and ask them to retell you the story afterwards. Comprehension of the story is just as important as being able to read it.
- Math → Grade 1 students are identifying number patterns to 50. They will be counting to 50 by 2s, 5s and 10s. They will also be grouping numbers into groups of tens and ones. This will then move into adding and subtracting to 20. **Grade 2** students will be learning place value. They will represent two-digit numbers in different ways (3 10s and 3 1s is 33 altogether). This will then move on to adding and subtracting two-digit numbers. We will be learning the standard algorithm to add, with and without regrouping. ( $12+10=22$ ,  $18+23=41$ ) When practicing at home, please do these horizontally.
- Thank you to those who have returned and paid for the movie trip. Next week, the Crockadoodle \$10 will be on School Cash Online. If you are having difficulty with paying online, please contact the office. Our end of the year class trip is still in the planning process. Information on this will be sent home this month. If you are interested in volunteering to come with us, please remember that you need a police check. This takes a few weeks to complete, so please do it as soon as possible. There is a form you can pick up at the office.
- Library days this month are May 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. Please return library books EVERY week. I sent home reminders to those who have overdue books. Please send the book back in as soon as possible. If you cannot find it, please send me a message and I will relay it to the library teacher. The end of the year is coming, and books that have not been returned will need to be paid for if the librarian requests it.

Enjoy the spring! Please make sure your child is prepared for the weather - apply sunscreen every morning and send in a hat when it is hot out ☺

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