

# ONE-DERFUL WORDS

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## Teacher's Tidbits

It is hard to believe that our first week of school has come and gone already! Our ONE-derful First Graders had a great time this week getting to know one another and learning about the classroom/school expectations, routines, and procedures. They also enjoyed participating in several activities that went along with our Quality Pledge, as well as activities that reviewed Kindergarten skills. We are off to a ONE-derful start, and I look forward to the rest of the year ahead of us!

## Reminders

- ★ School begins at 8:25am (doors open for breakfast at 8:05am). School ends at 3:25pm.
- ★ Students may bring a healthy snack/drink to eat in the morning.
- ★ Our Specials are: Monday- Physical Education, Tuesday- Art, Wednesday- Music, Thursday- Library, Friday- Physical Education.
- ★ Lunch is from 12:05-12:45pm.
- ★ Please return the required school forms as soon as possible!
- ★ Please use the Daily Folders to communicate with the school! You can place transportation changes, forms, lunch money, or other notes in the Daily Folder.
- ★ Help Elmwood Earn \$ by sending Box Tops and Campbell's Labels for Education to school.

## Important Dates

Constitution Day (wear red, white, and blue!)  
Thursday, September 17  
WCS Board of Education Meeting  
Monday, September 21 @ 6:30pm  
Count Day Wednesday, October 7  
Homecoming Parade and Game Friday, October 9  
Donut Day Wednesday, October 21 @ 7:30am

## Curriculum Corner

Next week, we will develop a more consistent daily schedule in the classroom. We will continue to review skills learned in Kindergarten, while delving into more First Grade curriculum in Math and Language Arts.

### In Math we will work on:

- ★ Writing numbers
- ★ Visual representations of numbers (such as ten-frames) to improve number sense
- ★ Counting-on strategies

### In Reading we will work on:

- ★ Reviewing phonics skills
- ★ Learning our Daily Five activities (such as Read to Self, Word Work, Work on Writing)

### In Writing we will work on:

- ★ Setting up Writer's Workshop
- ★ Writing about our lives

Our Quality Pledge: Today I will be...respectful, responsible, ready to learn, and safe.

