

## Miss Collins' 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Classroom News

### Important Dates:

- Late Start Mondays: school begins @ **9:05am**.
  - Oct. 19, 26
  - Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 26, 30
- **10/23: Pink Out** to support Breast Cancer Awareness. Please wear pink!
- **10/24:** Trunk or Treat @ 3pm
- **10/25:** Haunted Garage (10/30 rain date)
- **10/29:** Picture Retakes
- **10/30:** Halloween Parade/Party (11:30 Dismissal)
- **11/3:** No School (Election Day)
- **11/4:** Aladdin @ Parcels (9am) \$5.00/student
- **11/11:** Evening Conferences
- **11/12:** All Day Conferences (No school for students)
- **11/24:** Half Day for Thanksgiving Break (11:30 Dismissal) School resumes Monday, 11/30

### Specials for the week:

- Monday: Library
- Tuesday: Music
- Wednesday: Gym
- Thursday: Art
- Friday: Library

### Weekly Words:

- **Sight Words:** had, his, it, is, in
- **Word family:** -ad

\*Spelling tests will be on sight words every Friday morning.\*

### Classroom Info:

#### Reading:

Readers are practicing print strategies when they see an unfamiliar word. Our Reader's Workshop has begun and students have done a great job at their different centers during this time. These centers will be rotated among throughout the week and focus on various reading skills.

#### Writing:

We read "A Chair For My Mother" this week. This mentor text focused on a difficult time. Students worked on sketching their "sloppy copies" first and then worked towards producing their final copy. Students have been practicing on "zooming in" on that moment in their writing.

**Math:**

We have been identifying the time to the hour. Students have been practicing how many minutes are in an hour, how many hours in a day and the differences between AM and PM.

**Social Studies/Science:**

This unit focuses on map skills. We began by understanding positional location and left and right. We will continue to work on directions including cardinal directions.

**Collins' Comments:**

- Thanks to all for a successful Fun Run! Our school would not shine as brightly without your generosity and support!
- **Aladdin:** The cost is \$5.00 for students. Please send in money with your child's name by Monday, 10/26.

Have a great weekend!

Miss Collins

**Halloween AM Schedule:**

8:45-9:15 School Parade  
9:15-10:15 Classroom Party  
10:15-11:00 Assembly  
11:00-11:30 Classroom Movie  
11:30 Dismissal



**Halloween Boos and Don'ts!**

- No weapons of any kind allowed at school.
- Please no scary masks. Your child needs to be able to see clearly through the eye holes to prevent accidents at school.