

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

### Important Dates:

- **5/20:** Half Day (11:30 dismissal) & 9:00am Volunteer Reception: all volunteers welcome!
- **5/30:** No School (Memorial Day)
- **5/31:** Twin Day
- **6/1:** Field Day (K-2 AM) Volunteers needed!
- **6/3:** Author's Tea 9:00-10:00am
- **6/10:** End of the Year Party to Hunt's Gym!  
Pizza picnic lunch at Mason to follow.
  - 10:00am depart from Mason to Hunt's
  - 12:00pm return to Mason for picnic
- **6/15:** Half Day (11:30 dismissal)
- **6/16:** Last day of school (11:30 dismissal)

### Specials for the week:

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

### Weekly Words:

- **Sight Words:** review through June
- **Word family:** review through June

\*Spelling test on sight words every Friday.\*

### Classroom Info:

#### **Reading**

We began our new unit, Author Study. Over the next couple weeks we will focus on the author Kevin Henkes whose written stories including Chrysanthemum, Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse, Owen, and Wemberly Worried. We will compare and contrast his stories and characters.

#### **Writing**

Students participated in their last Grosse Pointe Writing on Tuesday and did a GREAT job! One of their written pieces will be published for the Author's Tea to be read on Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. We can't wait to share our published stories!

**Math:**

We spent time reviewing main math skills this week to prepare for the NWEA assessments coming up this month.

**Social Studies/Science:**

We have been working in our new plants journal by reading poems about plants and understanding the parts of a plant. We will be planting our grass and brassica seeds once they are delivered!

**Collins' Comments:**

- **Shh...It's a Secret:** This project was given out at conferences. Please send in your family's copy by **THIS MONDAY, 5/16**. Thanks for helping make a heartfelt gift!
- **NWEA Testing:** First grade will be taking their final NWEA assessments on the dates below. Thank you for sending your child to school with a good night's sleep, healthy breakfast and words of encouragement on these days.
  - **Math:** Monday 5/16 and Monday 5/23

Have a great weekend!

Miss Collins