

Mrs. Hunwick's First Facts

Language Arts/ Math

Dear Parents:

I am sending home a packet of information that you should keep handy throughout the year. It contains instructions on reading games you can use to help build your child's word recognition skills. I have taught the games to the children in class and have used these strategies with first graders through the years. They enjoy the games very much. There is also a set of word cards coming home today. These are the sight words that correlate with our first grade curriculum reading series. We will be working with these cards for the next three weeks. Please note that on the bottom of each word card there is a notation that states Theme 1. Week 1. Those are this weeks cards. Please save the other cards for the next two weeks. If your child can read these words please practice spelling the words. If your child can spell the words your child can practice writing complete sentences (capital letters, spaces,

handwriting, punctuation) using these words.

•Practice these phonic sounds:

Short a: at,am,ac / Consonants: m,s,c,t

- •I have also included the Dolch K-2 sight word list for you to use to help your child.
- •Please see the pages of reading strategies I am sending home today in the packet.

Your child has begun to read with me and will begin with their group. The children will be given the appropriate leveled readers during reading time and I will be working with your child on concepts and skills.

Math

All Homelinks are due the day after they are assigned. Please keep Parent Letters at home.

Homelink 1.9-Due Wednesday. 1.10- Due Thursday. 1.11-Due Friday.



Grow Into Reading!

Grosse Pointe Public Schools

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Special points of interest:

- Picture Day is tomorrow 9
 -21. Our pictures will be taken at 9:15.
- © Weekly Reports start in October.
- Please donate any small toys for our classroom PBS treasure box. Ex.-Fast food chain prizes.
- Thank you for attending Back-To-School night.
- My e-mail again is:
- Michelle.hunwick@

gpschools.org

This Wednesday September 22 the students have NWEA testing at 8:45 for reading. Please make sure your child is in bed by 8:00 PM the night before and eats a healthy breakfast.

Science/ Social Studies

In Science our class has been recording weather conditions on a graph and discussing the changes throughout the day.

In Social Studies we continue to discuss rules, routines as well as how to be a successful learner!

We began Unit 1-Time For School. In this unit the class will learn about families of long ago and how they compare to families of to-

day. We will look at artifacts on a computer program named Colonial Williamsburg.

Also, we will discuss how to solve problems at school and at home. The children learned the 6 citizenship skills on Constitution Day. Respect, Caring, Responsibility, Fairness, Honesty and Courage.

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A great way to add useful content to your newsletter is to develop and write your own articles, or include a calendar of upcoming events or a special offer that promotes a new product.

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Primary Business Address Your Address Line 2 Your Address Line 3 Your Address Line 4

Phone: 555-555-555 Fax: 555-555-555

E-mail: someone@example.com

Your business tag line here.



Organization

This would be a good place to insert a short paragraph about your organization. It might include the purpose of the organization, its mission, founding date, and a brief history. You could also include a brief list of the types of products, services, or programs your organization offers, the geographic area covered (for example, western U.S. or European markets), and a profile of the types of customers or members served.

It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.

Back Page Story Headline

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small, you may want to list the names of all

employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their cal-

endars for a regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a biannual charity auction.



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