

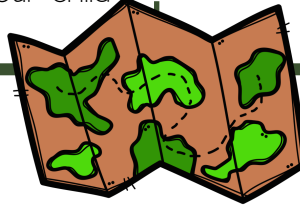
## Reminders & Notes

We are finally done with all of the assessments that we have to do at the beginning of the year! They are not fun for students, but they give me important information about where your child is and what skills I need to focus on. Your child's scores will be sent home later this week (as soon as make-up tests have been completed).

Picture day is tomorrow! Please make sure your child knows if he/she has a picture form to give me!

Tuesday, September 19  
Picture day

## This Week's Learning



### Reading

We are learning about synthesizing and main idea. We'll also talk about the ways that nonfiction and fiction books are different and learn about nonfiction text features.

### Writing

The traits of writing that we are focusing on this week are voice (putting emotion into our writing) and word choice (choosing exciting words). We are also learning about predicates.

### Phonics

#### Spelling words:

drink  
will  
each  
first  
how  
up  
our

In phonics we are working on long vowel sounds for a, e, and o.

### Math

We are finishing up unit 1 with skip counting and greater/less than. We will take the test on Thursday and Friday.

Our basic facts focus is combinations of 10 (4+6, 2+8, etc.)

### Social Studies

We are talking about the workers and the laws that communities need to be safe places to live and work.

## Character Focus



We are learning about how to be a good friend and how to treat others.

## Weekly At-Home Challenge

Practice skip-counting by 2s, 5s, and 10s.