

OCTOBER 9, 2019

The Johnson Journal

Ms. Johnson's First Grade

Bonny Slope Elementary

First Grade Units of Study

READING: Building our STAMINA! We have increased our stamina and are now up to 35 minutes of Reading To Self! We are also working to pick "Just Right" books for our Book Boxes – books where our fluency is good, no more than 5 words per page are challenging, and the words make sense.

HANDWRITING: Hoping to begin soon as the BSD has just agreed to fund the purchase of the Handwriting Without Tears practice books.

WRITING: Using Writing Journals to tell about our Weekend News and writing opinion pieces about our BOBCAT of the Week.

MATH: Learning different strategies to count up and back in order to increase our Math Fact fluency with a focus on creating number bonds and problem solving.

PYP: Working through our "Who We Are" unit that focuses on being aware and building healthy relationships with peers. A Special Edition of the Johnson Journal will be sent out near the end of the month with more information on all the exciting guests that will be helping us conclude this unit!



Homework

Students will receive a Homework Packet each Friday (started last week) that should be completed and returned on Friday of the next week. The packet will usually include:

- *a blue half-sheet cover sheet that has a calendar for the week in which to record the daily 20 minute reading **with parent initials.**

- *approximately four Math pages based on what we are studying in the curriculum.

- *a list of spelling words to practice for a weekly test each Thursday.

On those weeks where we have 4 days of school, the calendar will be adjusted slightly and **on those weeks with less than 4 days there will be no official packet of Homework.** Of course, you can still do the reading! 😊

Save the Date!

NO SCHOOL
October 11

Professional
Development
Day

MONSTER MASH
October 25

Sponsored by the
BSCO, this
evening event
runs 6-8pm

GEO CLUB
October 31

Students who have
been studying will
be sent to Geo Club
to be checked