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**Reading:** Main Idea  
**Math:** Math Facts/Fact Families  
**Writing:** Complete Sentences  
**Social Studies/Science:** Properties of Matter

***Read 20 minutes each evening.***

***Math websites for practice:***<http://www.abcya.com/addition.htm>

<http://www.mathplayground.com/index_addition_subtraction.html>

<http://www.softschools.com/math/games/>

**Important Dates**

January 1: Happy New Year!  
January 2: No School  
January 3: Classes Resume  
January 8: Lucas’s Birthday  
January 9: Sofia’s Birthday  
January 16: Martin Luther King, Jr.  
 Day – No School  
January 19: End of Semester

**In School…**

Reminder: Ms. Crouse is working on obtaining a National Board Certification in Literacy. As part of the course work, she has to video herself teaching and working with students. Please remember sign the previous form if you give her permission to film your child as part of this project if you haven’t already. If you need a new form, please let us know. Video footage will be used for National Board for Professional Teaching Standards review only.

We are beginning new routines in math for the second semester and incorporating Everyday Mathematics into our daily lessons. This program includes a Home Links workbook that corresponds with class work. Students who wish to have extra practice may have a book to keep in their backpack. Home Links pages will be announced for them at the end of class each day if it applies. They may choose to complete the page or not – it is not   
 required homework, but   
 optional practice for those  
 wanting it.

**Class Notes**

**First Grade**

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