

Mrs. Martin's Room  
Room N5  
Westlake Charter  
School



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What a busy and eventful week in first grade! We experienced our first Lockdown drill...yes we made it through with a few tears and "accidents..." Oh, first grade! We also had an assembly about Responsibility, had a fire drill, were Olympians in the Olympic Triathlon, and had a great Mystery Reader. It was a great, but busy week. We talked a lot this week about symbols, the presidential election, and democracy. We wrote about the White House and made one, we also discussed and wrote on the American flag. We even discussed how symbols are in books and movies...this is a great way to get your child thinking deeper about their reading (looking for symbols and noticing them.)

We begin conferences today and I am very much looking forward to meeting with you and discussion your child's growth and ways we can help them continue to grow. One of my favorite things about first grade is seeing the amazing amount of growth. I can't believe it was only months ago that we started school. Please make sure to notify the school or me if you will not be able to show up for the time you signed up for. I very much look forward to seeing you! Enjoy the 3 day weekend!

En español en el otro lado

### Important Dates

- | 11/12 No School-Veteran's Day
- | 11/13 WAVE Meeting at 6:30pm
- | 11/13-11/15- Conference Days
- | 11/14-11/16- Early Release Days
- | 11/19-11/16- No School

### Wish List...

- | Washed out gallon milk cartons,
- | colored and black Expo dry erase markers, post-its, ink-HP 92 and 93, sunglasses or 3D glasses (23)

### Coming up!

- | Phonics Focus: "ng" ending and contractions
- | Spelling: Week 10 Words
- | Math: Subtraction and fact families
- | Reading: Nouns, Details
- | Writing: Paragraph with a topic sentence, supporting sentences, and a closing sentence.
- | Theme: America, Symbols and We Are Thankful
- | Star of the Week: Madeline
- | Estimation Jar: Reese

Class Website:

<http://MrsMartinsRoom.weebly.com>