



# January 2021 Newsletter



Mrs. Ryder

**Language Arts:** Our focus this month will include a literature unit on fables, fairy tales, and folktales (students will also be exposed to some articles from the January Scholastic Reader magazine). We will discuss specific skills (asking/answering text-based questions, predicting & inferring, retelling & summarizing, determining the central message/lesson/moral, character responses, point of view, compare & contrast, and story structure) throughout this unit. These strategies will help increase your child's reading comprehension, accuracy, fluency, and vocabulary in all content areas. In addition to working on iReady Reading for ELA support, students can also log onto [www.mobymax.com](http://www.mobymax.com) for additional assistance on reading stories, reading skills literature, reading skills informational, language, and spelling. Your child should know their username/password for MobyMax and iReady. If not, please let me know.

Students will continue to have weekly spelling words. Students will study the list of words & learn the word study pattern by focusing on the headings for each sort. Students study and sort their words daily throughout the week at their desk.

Students are working on weekly writing prompts that include the steps of the writing process (brainstorming, revising/editing, rough draft, & final copy). Students are also continuing to learn the parts of speech (noun, pronoun, verb, adjective, article, adverb, preposition, conjunction, and interjection).

**Math:** Students will be working on solving one-step word problems with two-digit numbers, understanding/reading/writing three-digit numbers and comparing/adding/subtracting three-digit numbers over the next couple of weeks in math. Students are able to use MobyMax at home via [www.mobymax.com](http://www.mobymax.com) and the iReadyMath website via [www.clever.com/in/onslow](http://www.clever.com/in/onslow) to work on math skills. To assess MobyMax & the iReadyMath website, students need to type in their username & password (it's the same for each website). Your child should know their username & password; if not, please let me know & I'll get that information for you (a copy of their username/password is in their binder).

**Social Sciences (Science/Social Studies):** We are still focusing on the three states of matter and will eventually move onto economics (needs/wants, supply/demand, goods/services).

\*\*Please continue to sign agendas daily. Communication is vital between the parent, teacher, and student.\*\*

**Always here for you:**

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## Dates to Remember

Jan. 1 New Year's Day—No School/DQ night

Jan. 4 Teacher Workday—No School

Jan. 5 Back to School! ☺/Papa Johns Night

Jan. 11 Report Cards go home

Jan. 15 Sweeter Things Ice Cream Night

Jan. 18 Holiday (MLK Day)—No School

Jan. 26 Pizza Hut Night

