

# Bungalow 26

## Classroom News



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### UPCOMING EVENTS

September 1: First Day Packets Due

September 4: NO SCHOOL Labor Day

September 6: Back to School Night  
6pm-8pm

### REMINDERS

Back to School Night is  
for PARENTS ONLY.  
Please leave the  
kiddos at home.

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If you would like to  
volunteer for art,  
please let Sheila  
Campbell know by  
September 6.

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First Grade Homework will  
not start until October.  
It's ALWAYS a good idea  
to read!

### WRITING BOOT CAMP

Left...Right...Left, Right, Left!  
First grade authors are flexing  
their writing muscles after a long  
summer. We're working on many  
writing projects this month that  
remind students of all the steps of  
the writing process: brainstorm,  
write, revise, edit, publish.  
Students will also learn the routines  
for journal writing, and how to  
properly give constructive  
feedback to their peers.



## READING & PHONICS

This month's read-alouds welcome students back to school with many themes of inclusion, friendship, and honesty. Every week also includes a nonfiction reader that connects to the fictional story.

WEEK 1: The Invisible Boy

Focus: Making connections

WEEK 2: A Bad Case of Stripes

Focus: Character Traits/Wants

WEEK 3: Kevin Henkes Books

Focus: Comparing Texts

WEEK 4: Edward the Emu

Focus: Making Predictions

PHONICS FOCUS: Short vowel review

## MATH

This month's unit is focused on place value and counting. Students will learn about the difference between ones and tens and how they come together to make numbers between 1 and 99. We will build these numbers with base ten blocks, draw groups of tens and ones using ten frames, and play games to reinforce the concepts. Finally, students will practice comparing numbers using  $<$ ,  $>$ , and  $=$ .

## SOCIAL STUDIES

This month we are launching our citizenship unit. Students will learn what it means to be a good citizen at school by reviewing what it means to be respectful, responsible, ready to learn, and really safe. Later we'll discuss the difference between tattling and telling, and how to communicate with peers who are bothering us.

## OTHER

Every Friday students and I will participate in character building discussions and activities that deal with ideas such as having a growth mindset, empathy, perseverance, gratitude, and mindfulness. We'll launch these discussions by watching short episodes of the Class Dojo Big Idea series. You can preview the videos at: [ideas.classdojo.com](http://ideas.classdojo.com)