

**Mrs. Ricks’ Classroom News**

**Week of January 22nd**

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| **Phonics Skill:**  -Read and spell words with the **r-controlled vowel “or”**  -Our new tricky heart words for the week are: **today, yesterday,** and **tomorrow**. We will review these tricky words:  **so, no, of**, **all, some, from, word,** **are, were, have, one, once, do, two, the, who, said, says, was, when, why, where, what, which, here, there they, their, my, by, you, your, because, should, would, could, down, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday.** (Tricky heart words are words we can’t sound out. We have to know them by heart. We practice spelling and reading our heart words.)  **Reading:**  -Read books and passages with words containing “**or**.”  **Grammar:**  -Nouns (common and proper)  -Verbs  **Knowledge/Writing:**  -We will finish up our Knowledge Unit on Astronomy. The topics that we will focus on are:  \*History of Space Exploration and Astronauts  \*Exploration of the Moon  \*The Solar System  Through writing, students will record observations and facts about outer space. **Vocabulary words- astronaut, launch, rockets, spacecraft, technology, determined, disaster, historic, missions, nervously, abundant, accomplish, inner, solar, unique, categorize, outer, probes, violent**  **Math:** Topic 9- Compare Two-Digit Numbers  1stgrade | **Core:**  -Finish up our States of Matter Unit (Solid, Liquid, Gas)  -Begin our Sound Unit (Sound can make matter vibrate and vibrating matter can make sound.)  **Upcoming Dates:**  **\*Wednesday, January 31st-** 100’s Day Celebration Snack Items due  **\*Friday, February 2nd-** 100th Day of School (100th Day Project)  **\*Monday, February 12th-** Valentine’s Day Snack items due  **\*Wednesday, February 14th-** Valentine’s Day (Your child may bring his/her Valentine’s cards and decorated box/bag.)  **Specials Schedule:**  Monday, 1/22- P.E./Music  Tuesday, 1/23- Art  Wednesday, 1/24- Music/P.E.  Thursday, 1/25- Tech/Library  Friday, 1/26- P.E./Music  Education - School Supply - Crayon Set Isolated on White Background - Black, Blue, Turquoise, Teal, Green, Yellow, Orange, Red, Pink, Purple, Brown, and Gray Crayons Isolated on White Background |