

## Grade 1 & 2 News

January 19, 2026

During God's time this week we will be learning about the Israelites taking over the Promised Land as they battled against different Cannanite kings and came to the rescue of their allies in Gibeon. God miraculously extended the sunlight that day, until the battle was over and the Israelites had won. Just as the Lord was with the Israelites as they took over the land, he is with us throughout our journey on this earth, too. The Israelites had times where they were weak in their faith, and God used the difficulties with their enemies to draw them closer to him. God does this with us also. He uses the troubles of this world to refine us and bring us closer to himself. **Thanks be to our Lord who has blessed us so richly...he brought us to faith, keeps us in faith, and will bring us to the Promised Land of Heaven one day!**



**Social Studies Fair – The Social Studies Fair will be on February 27.** This year our students will be presenting biographies about a famous person. In first grade we will do our project as a group, but our second graders will do individual presentations. All our students in grades 2-8 will be presenting their projects in the style of a “Living Wax Museum.” This means that the students will research a person and then on the day of the Social Studies Fair they will dress up and pretend to be that person and talk about “their” life. More information will be coming home in the coming weeks.

Last week we read books about Neil Armstrong and Helen Keller. The first graders divided up into two groups for their Social Studies projects on these two famous Americans. The girls are in the group studying Helen Keller and the boys are all in the group learning more about Neil Armstrong.

**Our first grade reading and spelling –** This week the class is continuing to learn about “vowel teams.” A vowel team is when two vowels work together to make a vowel sound in a word. The first vowel will have the long sound and the second vowel in the pair is silent. We are learning a little rhyme to help everyone remember that “When two vowels go walking, the first one does the talking, the

**Grade 1 Spelling List  
Tested on 1/30/26:**

**vowel team words:**

1. blue
2. tie
3. heat
4. keep

**memory words:**

5. would
6. could
7. some
8. one
9. new
10. were

second one is silent." The two new vowel teams we will learn this week are "ue" and "ie." Their next **spelling test will be on Friday, January 30.**

**Second Grade** is learning about words with double letters in the middle of the word or at the end of the word. This happens when the vowel just before it is short, like the ff, ll, ss, and dd in the words cliff, spelling, miss, and cuddle. The next test will be on **Friday, January 30.**

**The 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School** is coming up quickly! Because of last week's day off due to the cold weather conditions, our special day should be on February 3. We have been counting the days in school every day and are getting excited for our special day. On day 100 we will have a fun day full of activities centered around the number 100. If any parents want to join us for the day, I am always open to having a few extra helping hands. It is always a fun day!

**Hot lunch** this week is sloppy joes.

**Grade 2 Spelling List:  
Tested on 1/30/26**

1. cliff
2. ruffle
3. baffled
4. spelling
5. dull
6. press
7. miss
8. hassle
9. tussle
10. saddle
11. cuddle
12. huddle

**Dates to Keep in Mind:**

February 3 – 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School

February 11 – Classroom Valentine's Day mini-celebration

February 12-13 – No School

February 27 – Social Studies Fair

Let's have a terrific week!

Mrs. Myslik