Dear First Grade Families,

This crazy weather keeps changing back and forth between winter and spring. Keep sending all of their warm gear every day. We never know when we are going to need it!

**Parent-Teacher Conferences:** Next Thursday is Parent-Teacher conferences. You can sign up online at PTCfast.com. If you don’t have access please let me know and I will fill in a time for you! I look forward to meeting with each of you.

**Homework:** Book bags continue to go home every week. I hope you are enjoying seeing the reading progress your child is making. Keep encouraging them and reading with them as much as possible. The non-fiction report is due on Friday, March 17th. You have one more week to finish it up and send it in. I can’t wait to have your children present them to the class!

**Writing:** You will notice a lot of writing in your child’s Friday Folder this week. We cleaned out their writing portfolios and sent the rest home! I have kept some of their best work to show you all at conferences. Please take a few moments to sit down with your child and let them show you their writing. They work so hard on it and it is also good practice for them to read it again and again.

**READ IN!** Next Thursday, March 16th is a half day of school due to conferences. On that day, the First Grade will have a READ IN, in honor of March/reading month. The children may bring in a blanket and a stuffed animal to get cozy with while they read! They may also bring favorite books from home. We will spend a good part of the morning reading along, with partners and as a class together!

**TECHNOLOGY DAY!** On Thursday, March 23rd(The day before Spring break), we will have a technology afternoon. The children will be allowed to bring in any technology they have from home like iPad/tablets, kindles, DS. They will be able to share and play on their technology from home. We will also have the OSMO out and the school iPad they may play on!

Have a great weekend! I look forward to meeting with you all next week!

Mrs. Yetter