Dear First Grade Families,

We had so much fun bowling with our Peer to Peer crew this week! Congratulations to Vanessa Silveus who got two strikes on Thursday!

**Parent Survey**: Please take a moment to take the parent survey that was sent out through SchoolWay this week. It only takes a few minutes and your input is very important to us! The link to the Survey is also on our school website. Thank you!

**KaBOOM!:** Please join us for a community dinner on Tuesday, March 7th at 6:00. We will be sharing our plans for the new playground equipment and looking for helpers that can supply tools and time on the build day in May! This is going to be a great way to work together for the kids! Hope to see you there. Please fill out the RSVP if you are able to attend.

**Spelling:** This week we will be doing the same words as last week again. Our spelling test on Friday showed that many of the children are struggling with this spelling pattern. I have included the list again. Please practice with your child this week. The spelling patterns are getting harder and the children will need to practice at home to do well. I am hoping next Friday they all do much better!

**Homework:** I hope you are all working on your non-fiction reports at home. If you need any help getting books or magazines on your subject, let me know. I would be happy to help you find more information. Please refer to the scoring rubric and report that went home so that your child knows what a great report looks like.

**Parent-Teacher Conferences:** Parent-Teacher conferences are coming up on March 16th. Information will be coming home about how you can sign up for times. I will have a lot of information to share with you about their academic and social/emotional progress. I really enjoy checking in with each of you. So put it on your calendar and look for more information soon!

**Language Arts:** We are really working on comprehension strategies this month! The one we are focusing on right now is re-telling. After a child reads a story, they should be able to tell it back to you in order including details. Try asking your child at home to re-tell their homework book stories to you. They should also be able to include some details from the story!

**Writing**: We will be finishing up our non-fiction unit soon and moving into Opinion writing. They will be learning about OREO writing! O is for stating their opinion, R is for giving 3 reasons, E is for giving examples and O is stating their opinion to close their writing! It is a really fun unit.

**Math:** We will be doing a math unit on measurement and data before Spring break. The children will spend time measuring things with non-standard units. We will also be creating and reading graphs.

Have a great week!

Mrs. Yetter