



First Grade Flyer

Riffenburgh Elementary School

- Provide a learning environment
- Recognize self-worth
- Involve parents
- Develop useful knowledge and skills
- Encourage professional growth

**December
NEWSLETTER**

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“No Excuse” Spelling Words

On the back of this newsletter you will find the spelling words we have learned and practiced in first grade. These “no excuse” words are used extensively in our daily reading and writing. It is important to review and practice these words with your child. We will be having a spelling test on all of the no-excuse words the second week in December. After the holidays, our spelling test on Friday will include a sentence, and your child will need to be able to spell these “no excuse” words correctly.

Thanks for your help!!

December Spelling Lists

12/2	12/9	12/16	12/23
hen	pig	box	E
nest	stick	hot	N
egg	fish	stop	J
web	gift	rock	O
tent	big	pond	Y



Reading! Reading! Reading



As we all know, it is important for every student to read for at least 20 minutes each night. With two weeks of vacation coming, it is even more important that you and your child find time to read together every single day. First graders are growing and learning so fast and every day counts. Enjoy your chance to spend time learning together!

Six and seven year olds are lured into reading by the magic of literature. They love good stories, playful language, and great pictures. No matter what program is used in the classroom, it is important to remember that the determining factor of an ability to read is your child's interest in books. You can also help by being a reading role model. Let your child see that you read for pleasure and information too!



December Holidays

First graders will enjoy a brief study this month of many different December holidays. Students will read about holidays around the world in this month's Scholastic News. First graders will have their holiday parties on Friday, December 20th from 12:30—1:15 p.m. Our “room moms” will be contacting volunteers for treats, games, prizes, etc. Thank you to all the parents who are planning our parties! HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

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AR Reading

AR is every Week!

Wednesday: Mrs. Johnson

Thursday: Mrs. Romero

Students participating in AR reading need to read and re-read books for total comprehension and understanding. In addition, students need their folders and completed book reports. First graders are making good progress in AR! A BIG thank you to all of the parent volunteers who have helped. We appreciate you!