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# The 1st Grade eLc Galaxy

**September 23, 2016** 

#### Skills to practice at home:

- ⇒ Counting forwards from a given number. Play a game asking your child to count to a number (like 50 or 100) from a random number. "Count to 50 starting from 26." Also practice counting BACKWARDS—first start at 25, then increase the start number. This skill is helpful for subtraction.
- ⇒ After reading a fiction book with your child, ask about the characters, the setting, and the problem of the story.
- ⇒ Practice doubles facts through 10+10. Also practice "doubles plus one facts" like 3+4=7
- Note: when your child is writing letters and numbers, please watch carefully for backwards letters. We are working on writing letters that face the correct direction! Thank you!
- Discuss ways to be Safe, On Task, Always Respectful, and Responsible

#### This Week in eLc....

- We began working with our writing partner. The students listen to each other's stories, and then ask questions or make suggestions about how to make the writing better! For example, "What did you do at the park?" or "You need to tell about when you hurt your knee!"
- We each completed a beginning of the year math assessment.
   We also learned some different games that will help us practice our addition to 10 fact fluency.
- We continued investigating with light and shadows. The students observed that shadows are on the opposite side of the object from the light. Through an investigation they concluded that when the light source is directly above an object, the shadow is smallest. As the light source moves lower to the side, the shadow becomes longer!
- We read with a buddy! Students paired together and took turns reading a book from their independent book baskets.



Working with a writing partner



**Buddy Reading** 

#### **Mark Your Calendar!**

## October 2016

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Oct. 3—7 Scholastic Book Fair

Oct. 6—NASA Night

Oct. 7—Grandparents' Day

Oct. 13—Half Day

Oct. 14—Student Holiday

Oct. 19—Individual student pictures

Oct. 21—First grade eLc to Saluda Shoals

Oct. 10-25 Cookie Sale

### November 2016

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Nov. 8—Election Day—No School

Nov. 21—Cookie Dough sale pick up

Nov. 23—25 Thanksgiving Break

# Saluda Shoals Field Study:

Last week, your child brought home information and a permission slip for our first field study to Saluda Shoals. The permission slip and \$11 is due by Friday, October 7th. If you are volunteering to chaperone, your child's teacher will contact you.

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