**Readers Workshop** – We continued to read in partnerships and identify tricky words.  We reviewed using reading strategies to help solve for these tricky words.  We think about what looks right, what sounds right, and what makes sense in our reading.  Please return the reading spiral homework each Monday.

**Read Aloud** – We read Frog and Toad and recorded the characters, setting, problem and solution in one of the chapters.  We also recorded the lesson in one of the chapters in our reading response journal.

**Close Reading** - We completed our work with the ‘Polar Bear Prince’ passage.  We practiced how to use the text to answer comprehension questions and understanding vocabulary words (greedy, rummage, belongings, frighten, steal and shivering).  Please remember to add these to the green fluency folders this weekend.

**Grammar**:  We have learned about verbs, present and past tense.

**Math:** – We completed Topic 8 on place value.  We worked with the tens and ones chart and place value blocks to model two digit numbers.   We began Topic 9, which is all about comparing two digit numbers.   We used place value blocks and the hundreds chart to find numbers that are one more, one less, ten more, and ten less that a given number.

**Writing:** We completed editing and revisions on our book reviews.    We celebrated the end of the unit by sharing our book reviews with other first grade classes.  We will begin our unit on poetry next week.

**Social Studies:**  We will continue research projects on famous Americans.

**Important Dates**   
~ February 9:  Father Daughter Dance 6 – 8pm

~ February 14:  Valentine’s day celebration     
~ February 19:  MAKE UP Day for the snow day

~February 21:  Spirit Night at Papa Murphey’s Plantation Market

~ February 23:  Diamond Del Gem Mining Field Trip

~ February 23:  Talent Show

~ March 2:  Book Character Parade 8am

~ March 14 Brookdale Weddington Assisted Living