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Math

- * Please continue to practice the doubles facts at home.
- * Learn how to use the doubles plus 1 strategy. When solving 5+6 have the students circle the smaller number and use their doubles facts. Then add 1 more. So, "5+5=10+1 more makes 11."
- * Practice the addition strategies we have learned: counting on, doubles, doubles plus 1.
- * Use a ten frame to add 10 plus a number.

Genius Hour

- * Students will decide which topic they are interested in and will draw/write what they know about their topic.

Language Arts

- * Read and write words with beginning blends- br, cr, dr, fr, gr, pr, tr, bl, cl, fl, gl, pl, sl, sc, sm, sn, sp, st, sw. Practice reading and writing words at home- For example- flag, plop, flash, sled, snap, spot, brush, drum....
- * Work in reading groups- Focus on asking questions before, during, after reading. Identify main idea and important details. Make connections between non-fiction reading and our informative writing.
- * Read Let's Carve a Pumpkin and sequence the events.
- * Read Spookley the Square Pumpkin. Analyze the character, retell the story and identify the theme.

Writing

- * Writer's Workshop- Students will choose an informative writing piece to edit and publish.
- * Students will decorate their own unique pumpkin and write a descriptive writing piece to describe it.

Science

- * Test over the sun.