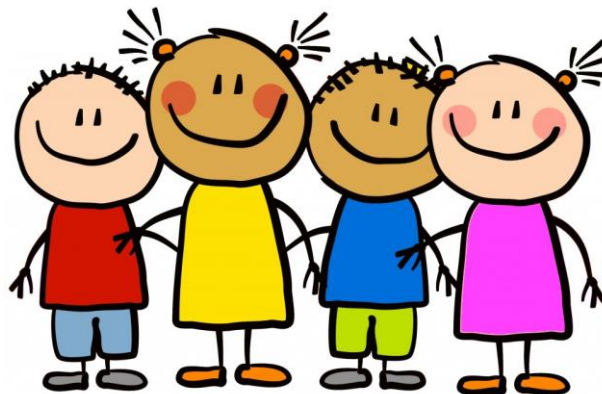


Dear Students and Families,

We are ready to begin a program called, "Special Day Talks." This program takes place during a short amount of time each day. All students have the opportunity to speak in front of the class. Each child will have his/her own day to share a Special Day Talk Assignment. Attached you will find the assignment for our first round of Special Day Talks. If you should have any questions, please feel free to send me a note via your child's folder or email. I encourage families to help their child(ren) practice reading or speaking their Special Day Talk at home. It is not required that a speech is memorized, but children should be prepared for what they are going to talk about. The goal is for each child to speak loudly and clearly, while looking at the audience. Enjoy the first assignment!

Sincerely,

The First Grade Team



## Special Day Talk Assignment # 1



We want to learn more about our new classmates! Your first "Special Day Talk" assignment is to tell the class a little bit about yourself by sharing 3 special objects from home. First, choose 3 items that represent your personality or your interests. These might be pictures of your family or a favorite place, a part of a collection, a menu from a favorite restaurant, a book, a souvenir, etc. All 3 items should be small enough to fit into your backpack and should not be valuable or breakable. Be prepared to say why you picked the object and how the object represents you. Be prepared to speak in a loud, clear voice while looking at your audience. See the attached calendar for your Special Day and have fun!





# Special Day Talk #1 Rubric

TASS (Thinking and Academic Success Skills):

Task Completion and Collaboration

	Demonstrating DEM	Progressing PRG	Not Yet Evident NYE
I spoke in a loud, clear voice.			
I looked at my audience.			
I brought three items and shared three things about myself on my Special Day.			