



Week of November 21



Welcome to First Grade

Welcome to a new school year! I hope you had a great summer break. My name is Mama Amber (Haynes) and I will be your child's 1st grade teacher this year. This will be my first year teaching at Kwame Nkrumah Academy. I am anxious to work with you and your child this year. I am excited about what the school year has to offer and pleased to have each one of your children in my class. There are many things to learn and my goal is to make this year a wonderful experience for you and your child.

Welcome to the Yoruba Village!!

Yoruba is located in South West Nigeria and Benin.

The people of Yoruba have developed a variety of different artistic forms including pottery, weaving, beadwork, metal-

work, and mask making. The Yoruba have started to become quite popular among Africans all over the world who claim the Yoruba as their family roots and follow the religion and culture of the Yoruba.



Ma'at Principle—African Folktale- Book of the Month

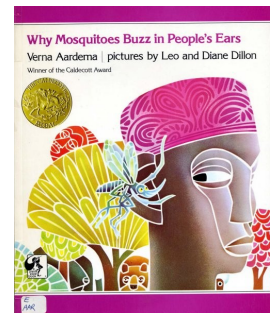
The Ma'at Principle of the month is **Justice.**



The Character Trait of the month is **Fairness.**



African Folktale of the month is **Why Do Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears?** By Aardema Vera



Classroom Goals & Expectations

Bee Respectful
Listen to your teacher
Keep your hands and feet to yourself
Use kind words

Bee Responsible
Take care of your belongings and classroom
Bring Everything Everyday

Bee Ready to Learn
Eyes and ears on the teacher when she is talking
Come in and sit at your desks

Classroom Announcements & Classroom Schedule

Field Trip to **The Museum of Science and Industry**
Wednesday,
November 23, 2011.

Classroom Schedule
Monday
Spanish 11:40-12:20
Tuesday
Gym 10:00-10:40
Library 2:10-2:55

Wednesday
Music 11:40-12:20
Spanish 2:10-2:55
Thursday
Library 2:10-2:55
Friday
Dance 11:30-12:10

Classroom Curriculum

Imagine It Reading

www.imagineitreading.com

SraImagineit.com



In this section you will list the Stories you will be working on for the month, the skills and provide an opportunity for parents and students at home to research activities.



This site is linked to Imagine It! And provides Vocabulary Instruction and Activities for parents and students.

Practice this week's VO-CABULARY

(Be sure to click on the tab that says "Word Meaning" for the appropriate practice!)



We are currently working on the story _____

Interactive Websites

www.sraImagineit.com

everyday-math.uchicago.edu/parents/homework

Horizons-Social Studies

Foss Science

Student Search Engines

[Yahooligans](#)

[AskJeeves for Kids](#)

[Kid's Click](#)

[TechMom](#)

[Starfall Phonics Games](#)

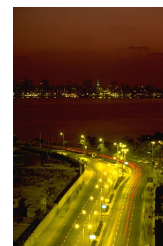
"To catch the reader's attention, place an interesting sentence or quote from the story here."

This Week's Assignment

Students are to read daily and record what they have read on their Monthly Reading Logs.

Reading Logs are to be signed by the parent/guardian and are due **December 1st**.

Homework is given out every Monday and should be fully completed. This week's homework is due **Monday, November 28, 2011**.



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