



Hello Scientific Families!

[The Moon Challenge](#) - for next time...

This week in 1st grade we have begun our study of **Space Systems: Patterns and Cycles**. During this unit we will be making observations of the sun and moon. We will also focus on building the habits of scientists. Starting this week, our class has begun keeping a Moon Calendar. Every day in class we will look at a picture of the moon from the previous night and record our observations. Students will also consult a website to research sunrise and sunset times daily, collect data, and make predictions.

Please feel free to observe the moon with your child and immerse her/him in all things sun & moon, without TELLING how things actually work. We are attempting to observe, make predictions and hypotheses, and figure out some of these things before reading non-fiction texts and watching videos. If your child is interested in doing a moon calendar at home, too, there is one enclosed. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

John