

Dear Families:

As your student is coming to the end of Benchmark Advance Unit 1, we wanted to share information to help you support the development of reading and writing at home.

Unit Topic & Key Concepts:

Unit 1: Plants and Animals Have Needs

- Animals and plants need certain things, including food, water, air, and space to survive.
- Animals and plants have traits, parts, and structures that keep them alive and help them grow and reproduce.

Learning Goals:

Phonics & Word Study	Reading Comprehension	Writing
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Phonemic Awareness• Letters m, s, a, i• HFW: I, like, eat	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify parts of a book to predict and confirm the topic• Identify main topic and key details• Describe the relationship between illustrations and the text	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Draw, Write, and Share a Message about what read• Use nouns and action verbs

For additional details, review the FCPS Family-Facing Curriculum site: fcps.edu/academics/curriculum

Student Literacy Progress:

For Unit 1, see the attached student magazine highlighting your student's work.

Home Activities:

- Review the Student Magazine and Activity Calendar.
- Talk about the texts your child read at school.
- Try some of the daily activities from the calendar.
- <https://mclass.amplify.com/homeconnect/>