

Kindergarten News

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What's Happening:

Happy Autumn! Each child is learning so much and we are starting to wrap up quarter one! We are busy learning about our new Superkid Oswald.

We have been working on writing all the upper and lower case letters of the alphabet and numbers 0-10. We will keep working on writing letters and numbers every day. We will be starting to write and recognize numbers up to 20, for the second quarter.

ABC Letter Sounds & Names:

Keep practicing saying their letter names and sounds at home. I highly encourage students go through these cards nightly.

Sight Words:

I highly encourage students go through these cards multiple times a week.

Monthly Reading Log:

Continue reading with your child for at least 30 minutes a week. Look for October's reading log in this week's Wednesday Folder. Return October's reading log in at the end of the month and your child will receive their BOOK IT! reward from Mrs. Heath.

The Book It! Program helps encourage your child to find the joy in reading. To help celebrate your child's reading accomplishment by redeeming their reading award certificate at Pizza Hut for a free, one-topping personal pan pizza.

Parent Teacher Conferences:

Tuesday, October 16th and Wednesday, October 17th.

Apple Unit:

We will begin learning all about apples. We are exploring apples through science, math, stories, and writing. We will participate in experiments if apples would sink or float, taste test, counting seeds, and with many more activities to come.

Making Apple Cider

Friday, October 26, 2017

Time: 1:30pm-2:30pm

We will be using my grandparents' apple cider press to make cider. After we are done, the students will participate in a taste test. The children will taste the apple cider and apple juice to determine which one they prefer.

Parents are welcome to come and experience this time with their child. Please let me know if you do not want your child participating in the taste testing.

Academic Standards

Math:

1. Count to 100 by 1's, 2's, 5's, and 10's.
2. Students can recognize, describe, extend, create or records simple repeating patterns.
3. Can count forward beyond 10.
4. Can count backwards from 10 consecutively.
5. Can write & identify numbers 0-20 and match number to the correct amount of objects.
6. Count objects and tell how many.
7. Name 2 & 3 Dimensional shapes.

Reading:

1. Know letter names & sounds.
2. Fluently read all Quarter 1 sight words.
3. Students can independently retell familiar stories with detail, including characters, setting, and sequence of events.
4. Students can independently describe how the pictures relate to the text or illustrate a sentence, explaining the relationship between the two for non-fiction and fiction.

Writing:

1. Students can show their opinion about a given topic using a combination of drawing, dictation, writing, and justify their opinion.
2. Write all letters of the alphabet.

Science:

1. Students can tell the difference between things that are alive and things that are not.
2. Students can tell the plants and animals will grow to look like their parents.

Social Studies:

1. Students can tell the difference between maps & globes.
2. Students can make maps of places I know.
3. Students can find land and water on maps, globes, and pictures.
4. Students can identify how explorers travelled the world and found new places.

More information on other side

What's Happening:

Pumpkin Math Day

Wednesday, October 31, 2018

Time: 10am-11am

It's Pumpkin Math Day! Kindergarten & First will be using pumpkins to apply our math, reading, and writing skills. Each child will get to take their pumpkin home. Parents are welcome to come volunteer and experience this time with their child. Please let me know if you would like to volunteer. We will not be celebrating Halloween at school. Please leave costumes and candy at home.

Steps to Respect:

TES is working with Mrs. Morris, our school counselor in implementing Steps to Respect Program. The primary goal of this program is to help create a safe, caring, respectful learning environment in which bullying is not tolerated. Each month we have lessons to discuss how to build friendships, join activities, manage conflicts, and recognize, refuse and report bullying. Bullying is about behavior, not a person. Bullying is defined as unfair and one-sided. It happens when someone keeps hurting, frightening, threatening, or leaving someone out of purpose. There is a family handout in this week's Wednesday Folder.

Upcoming Events:

NO School:

- ❖ Friday, October 5, 2018 for Teacher In-service
- ❖ Friday, October 19, 2018 for End of the Quarter

Early Release:

- ❖ Thursday, October 18, 2018 @ 1:15pm

Late Start:

- ❖ Wednesday, October 24, 2018 for Staff Development
 - School starts at 10:15am

Parent Teacher Conferences:

- ❖ Tuesday, October 16, 2018
- ❖ Wednesday, October 17, 2018

