



November News

Dear Kindergarten Parents,

We are continuing the recognition of the letters, letter sounds, and sight words in language arts.

Language Art Activities with Special Emphasis on:

- Identify and create rhyming words
- Identify colors
- Practice printing letters and popcorn words
- Practice reading popcorn words
- Introduce different book genres (informational text, realistic fiction, and fiction)
- Predict outcomes
- Listen for the main idea of a story
- Identifying characters
- Recalling details
- Retelling the sequence of events
- Discriminate beginning sounds and letters
- Blending and Segmenting sounds in words
- Grammar Focus: action verbs, sensory words, adjectives (for color, numbers, size, and shapes), and reviewing nouns (person, place, animal, or thing)
- Vocabulary Focus: classify and categorizing words, antonyms (opposites), and synonyms (words that mean the same)
- Develop reading strategies

Additional Language Art Activities:

Thanksgiving Unit with special activities around the following book:

- [A Turkey for Thanksgiving](#) by Eve Bunting

Math Readiness:

- Continue recognizing patterns by color, shape, and size
- Continue to use concrete objects to understand same as, equal, more, fewer, more than, less than, before, after
- Study the value of numbers to 10
- Represent and compare numbers to 10
- Categorize and classify by shapes, colors, size, and kind
- Start addition and subtraction with numbers up to five
- Count to 50 and above
- Practice writing numbers 1-20
- Practice number recognition 1-20

Science:

- Continue the unit of study on Trees
- Start a unit on Fabric

Show and Tell Scheduled themes:

Nov. 7	No Show and Tell due to a Veteran's Day Assembly
Nov. 14	No Show and Tell due to the Good Citizenship Award movie
Nov. 21	Draw and share a picture of your favorite Thanksgiving activity

Other Important Dates:

Nov. 7	Camo Day - wear some camo clothes and School Store
Nov. 11	No School - Veteran's Day Observance
Nov. 12	Mrs. Cook's Parent Teacher Conferences
Nov. 13	Mrs. Daniel's Parent Teacher Conferences
Nov. 26	Early Dismissal @ 12:30
Nov. 27 - Dec. 2	No School due to Thanksgiving Vacation

We are starting to practice writing the second marking period words. Please practice reading all the words at home. We practice them each day in school, but the reinforcement at home really helps your child to succeed. Here is the list of required words (both reading and writing them from memory) for the second marking period: a, I, like, the, and, see, we, at, an, can, to, you, me, with, my, what, are, now, is, how, of, so, in, it.

*In case you are going shopping early, Kindergarten students will have a Christmas gift exchange. Girls are asked to bring a gift for a girl, and boys are asked to bring a gift for a boy. The gifts will NOT be for a specific student. We will play a game to exchange them. A girl should label hers "To: A Girl From: (Name)" A boy should label his "To: A Boy From: (Name)." The cost of the gift should be about \$5.00. Please discuss with your child that it is not for a specific person in class and that they will not get to keep the gift they bring.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Cook
Mrs. Daniel