

November Kindergarten Newsletter

It is so nice to see the children expanding their social circles–playing with old and new friends–boys playing with the girls too!

This month in our Wonders Reading Program (Unit 2), we will be working on the following skills:
Social/Emotional Learning: Self-control, Emotional regulation, and Self-confidence
Phonological Awareness: Alliteration, Onset and Rime blending
Phonemic Awareness: Isolation, Blending, Categorization
Phonics/Spelling/Handwriting: /Pp/, /Tt/ and review /Mm/, /Aa/, /Ss/
High Frequency Words: /a/, /like/ and review /the/, /see/, /we/, /I/
Comprehension strategy: Ask and answer questions
Skill: Key Details
Genre: Informational Text, Nonfiction, Poetry
Please remember to practice reading the stories in the Wonder's Reading/Writing Comprehension workbook.

In Mathematics, we will begin Chapter 3: Positions. The children will follow my directions and act out different tasks, using the vocabulary: above, below, top, middle, over, on, under, inside, in front, behind, left, right, before, between and after.

We will learn that God made all people special during Religion class this month. We will celebrate the gift of our families and friends, and explore the gift of our 5 senses. Look for our special hand crafted book called "Creation". The children are doing a great job on their books and are looking forward to sharing them with you!

In Science, we will discuss what animals do when the weather turns cold: some migrate, some hibernate, and some stay active. We will focus on squirrels and how they prepare for winter. Also, we will observe what happens to trees and plants as the weather gets cold--i.e. leaves turning color and falling.

In Social studies, I have included a homework assignment to draw your family's safe spot in case there is a fire in your house. Please discuss with your family what they should do and where they should go if you have a fire emergency in your home. Clue: Get Out and Stay Out!

Thank you for your continued support,
Mrs. Merrill



November Homework Challenge

Throughout the month of November, complete the following activities and earn a special homework prize. The homework is due on November 30th.

1. Print one row of each letter: /Pp/, /Tt/, and review /Mm/, /Aa/, /Ss/. Be sure the letters are the correct size, between the lines, and spaced properly. (used lined paper provided)
2. Draw or cut out one picture from a magazine that begins with each letter: /p/, /t/, /m/, /a/, /s/. Glue and label them on the back of the lined paper. Encourage "kid spelling" or inventive spelling, then you can show them the "adult" way to spell it.
3. Draw a picture of each of your family members and print their names neatly.
4. Make 3 rhyme words using "at" (Example: "s" + "at" = "sat")
5. Make 3 rhyme words using "ap" (Example: "m" + "ap" = "map")
6. Draw me a picture with "1 turkey", "2 trees", "3 clouds", "4 leaves", and "5 acorns".
7. Make a book: Draw a cover page (Be sure to include the name of the book, and your name as the author/illustrator) On each page start your sentence with "I can ____." Label page 1,2,3.

(Please find included 3 sheets of lined paper, 2 plain white sheets of paper and a book)