

Dear Pre-K Families,

Spirit Week begins on Monday March 14<sup>th</sup>. There will be different themes and activities each day.

- Monday is "Clash Day/Free Dress." On that day, kids will spend time in their family groups and participate in activities that teach them to be aware and to respect other people's differences. We will be watching a kid friendly movie about kindness and acceptance.
- Tuesday is "Decade Day." This is a bit difficult for our age group since they have only been on this great earth for less than half a decade☺ Today we made tie-dye shirts. We will send them home on Monday. It would be great if Pre-K wore their tie-dye shirts, which would place us in the '60's and 70's (and more). I hope this makes it easier to select clothes on Tuesday.

The school newsletter lists all of the activities for the week. There is a special theme for each day, along with uniform/special dress guidelines. Uniforms must be worn on Wednesday. Please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions or need clarification about the week.

Blessings,  
Mrs. Mannenbach

**Ask Your Child About:**

Question of the week: What are desert animals like?

Identify capital, lowercase, name letters and sounds they make: We have now introduced all of the letters. Our focus is now remembering the sounds each letter makes and finding words that start with the focus letters.

Ask the meaning/understanding of one of our concept words: hide, lizard, snake, spider, turtle, under.

Ask the meaning/understanding of one of our amazing words by giving a description: cowboy, sniff, gobble, herd, toss, burrow

Focus story for the week: **The Gingerbread Cowboy and Meet the Desert**

**Animals**

- Focus letter this week Nn
- What are some things that are the same and different about deserts and jungles?
- New animals you found in the desert.
- What do some of the desert animals do to survive?
- Math: create a pattern with 3 items in it. What words can you use to describe the pattern (a,b,c 1,2,3 silly words etc.)? Must repeat at least 4 times
- Science Lab: what did you observe in your bio-dome since you planted seeds last weeklast week?

**Next Week:**

- Spirit Week! Check the school newsletter for details.

**Weekly Honors:**

- Congratulations to our Honored Cougar, Kaia!

**Snack Reminder:**

- Mon.- Maggie
- Tues. – Patrick
- Wed. – Áine
- Thurs. – Jack
- Fri. – Conan