

Kindergarten's Newsletter

February 12, 2016

Thank you to our Valentine party planners! We appreciate your time and effort making the day even more special! I hope you have a great long weekend! See you on Wednesday!

Religion

We are learning about Lent and talking about ways we can give to others and serve others. We will also learn about The 10 Commandments, the words God told Moses to teach the people. We think about the Commandments as rules that help us to be happy and to get along with one another.

Language Arts

We are inferring meaning from books. We are using context clues to determine what the author means and what is happening in the story.

We will continue working on instructional writing. First, we visualize the process for doing something. Next we illustrate it and then add the words. Sometimes, ordering and naming each part of the procedure is the trickiest part.

Math

We continue to work on decomposing numbers (making numbers in more than one way). A newer concept is switching how we write math sentences as well. For instance, we are practicing writing $8 = 4 + 4$ or $8 = 3 + 5$.

We will also celebrate the 100th day of school on Friday, February 19th. We will do all things in 100's- writing words, building with blocks, counting... We would love to make a 100th day trail mix snack. If you are able to provide one of the following, please let me know: Goldfish, mini-marshmallows, Cheerio's, chocolate chips, pretzel sticks, Chex, Corn Pops, raisins, M&M's, or Life cereal. We will need about 200 pieces of each. Thank you!

Social Studies

We are working on timelines and ordering events. We also apply this to the calendar using the vocabulary yesterday, today, and tomorrow. This concept can be tricky! It is great to practice at home, too. Having a calendar and labeling events that happen helps the students with this concept, also.

Science Expo

On Friday, February 19th, we will have a Science Expo from 5-7. Your whole family is invited to come engineer, try out MakerSpace, and write some code. We will start the night with pizza, so come for dinner and then stay for science!

Specialist Schedule:

Mondays- PE and music
Tuesdays- music
Wednesdays- art
Thursdays- PE, library, and Spanish (check out and return day for library)
Fridays- library and Spanish

Dates to Keep:

2/15- No school, President's Day

2/16- No school, teacher professional development

2/19- Science Expo, 5-7

2/22- Kinderkonzert, 9-10:30

SLE: Schoolwide Learning Expectations

Your student will be bringing home a self-assessment on how he/she has fulfilled the SLEs during the week.

Please look it over with your child and use it as a tool to point out what they are doing well and what they can improve upon.

Lastly, write a goal for the following week, sign it, and return every Monday (or the first day back after the weekend).