



Kindergarten Newsletter • October, 2010

Curriculum Notes

Literature: Our thematic unit for October is the Harvest Season. We will identify signs and characteristics of Fall through books, finger plays, poems, art projects and songs. We will continue reading books by Margaret Wise Brown for our author study.

Reading: Reading group instruction has begun. Instruction will be planned based on each child's reading needs. Students will receive reading instruction in small groups. These groups will be flexible as a child's growth is ever changing. We will continue to learn concepts about print and participate in literacy centers. Literacy centers also provide an opportunity to practice reading and writing skills.

Math: The children will collect, record, and represent data in tables, pictographs, bar graphs and tally graphs. They will also work on counting, sorting and making patterns.

Writing: The children will have a variety of writing experiences, including journal writing, making class books and participating in writing workshops. Both standard and inventive spelling will be emphasized.

Science/Social Studies: We will focus on the Fall season by observing the changes in the weather and our environment. We will begin our science unit on Plants and Animals. We will continue our study of *Myself and Others*, as well as holidays we celebrate.

Important Dates



October 1-Early Dismissal

October 11 -Columbus Day Open House

October 15 -MSTA Convention (No School)

October 21 -Homestead Farm fieldtrip

October 29 -Halloween Parade & Party

