



Kindergarten Newsletter • September, 2011

Curriculum Notes

Language Arts: We will read stories about starting school, write stories about school experiences and sing songs. We will find out just how much fun school can be. We will be administering reading assessments to determine previous knowledge and initial reading level.

Writing: Students will begin writing for personal expression by focusing on generating ideas and putting them down on paper.



Math: We will learn our shapes and colors through group discussions, games and poems. Mathematical concepts will be emphasized through the following positional words: *top, bottom, above, below, before, after, between, left, right, inside and out*. We will begin sorting objects and graphing data.

Social Studies: We will meet new friends and learn their names. We will discuss the characteristics of a new friend and how to get along. We will identify our building workers at William B. Gibbs, such as the Principal, Vice Principal, Building Service Workers, Health Technician, Counselor and Cafeteria Manager. School rules and class routines will be emphasized.

Science: We will begin the science unit on Weather by describing different types of weather and how the weather affects us.

Birthday Celebrations

We acknowledge birthdays in our class with a monthly celebration. Store bought cupcakes or cookies and juice need to be sent in to share with the class. Please no homemade treats! Notes will be sent home to parents with specific details.



Important Dates

8/29/11: First Day of School for Students

8/31/11: 6:30 p.m. PTA Meeting in All Purpose Room; 7:00 p.m. Parent Volunteer Orientation

9/2/11: MCPS Flyer Distribution Date; Grade Level Newsletters come home in backpacks

9/5/11: Labor Day Holiday! No School for Students, Staff, and Administration

9/7/11: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Back to School Night for Preschool Education Program (PEP) Classic and Intensive Need Classes, Kindergarten, and Grade 1 in the All Purpose Room

9/13/11: Rocky Hill Middle School Back to School Night

9/21/11: PTA-Sponsored Spirit Night at Chik-Fil-A (Drive through orders do not count toward profits)

9/22/11: Clarksburg High School Back to School Night

9/28/11: 1:00 p.m. Early Dismissal for Students

9/29/11: Rosh Hashanah, No School for Students and Teachers

