



October News



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Dear Families,

The first several weeks of school have been very busy! The children are settling into the routines of the classroom and of the school. They have enjoyed making new friends and meeting their teachers. The year has started off very well and the children are excited about learning!

Thank you to all the parents who were able to make it to our first Math Night. We hope you found the information about the math curriculum valuable and the hands-on activities helpful. We would also like to thank you for attending Back to School Night. As you may know, being involved in your child's education is important to his/her success. Please continue to ask your child about his/her day in school. Asking open ended questions such as, "What kind of pattern did you make today" or "Tell me about the story you heard/read today", will hopefully get them talking!

Our field trip to Homestead Farm is on Friday, October 23, 10:00-1:30. It will be an exciting learning opportunity that includes touring the farm, riding on a hayride and picking pumpkins. We understand how much you would like to be part of this educational experience, unfortunately, the number of chaperones is limited. Please indicate you would like to chaperone on the permission slip and chaperones will be selected randomly. The permission slip will be sent home soon.

We will continue to review directional/positional words, patterns, and sorting in math. We will also learn how to collect, display, and interpret data. The children will continue to learn about beginning sounds, rhyming, characters, and setting. These are all skills that you can practice when reading with your child at home! In social studies we are learning about our country and we continue to learn about the weather in science.

Reading homework began on Tuesday, September 29. It will be sent home on Monday and be due at the end of the week on Friday. For the month of October, please read to your child each night and record this on the homework sheet.

Sincerely,
The Kindergarten Team

Important October Dates:

*** Early release October 2 12:55 dismissal *Book Fair October 5-9**

***Homestead Field Trip Friday October 23**

***MSTA convention Friday October 16 School closed**