

Kindergarten News!



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General Information

WOW!!

Our "almost first graders" will not have Kindergarten classes on Tuesday, April 23rd and Wednesday, April 24th due to Kindergarten Orientation. As you remember, this is an exciting time for our new students and parents. Not only are we more than halfway through the school year; we are halfway through the third quarter as well! We are proud of the level of progress and growth our students have made thus far!

IMPORTANT DATES



March 17th– Wearing of the Green Day



April 23rd & 24th – Kindergarten Orientation (No school for current Kindergarten students)

THANK YOU!



The Kindergarten Teachers would like to thank our generous room parents for planning the Valentine parties! The kids had a blast!

We have another field trip coming up this Spring! There will be more details regarding the trip to the Catoctin Zoo as the date (TBD) gets closer. Remember that chaperones will be chosen on a first come, first served basis. In order to allow each parent who would like to have a chance to be a chaperone, we will also take into consideration which parents have not had a chance.



Curriculum Highlights

Reading & Language Arts

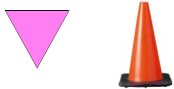
We have finally introduced all twenty five “word wall” high frequency words! Below is a complete list. Be sure to practice these words with your children at home. Some fun ideas of how to do this are: “word hunts” in books, writing the words in sand or shaving cream, or cutting out word wall words in old magazines or newspaper and using them to make sentences!

am	look	I	me	my
can	on	you	like	we
come	said	and	see	up
go	this	is	a	to
here	it	in	the	at



Mathematics:

~Kindergarteners can now describe shapes and solids in great detail!



~We have been using scales to weigh objects, standard and non-standard “measurers” to figure out length, height, and width. We will be talking more about estimating and capacity as well.



~Practice sequencing with your Kinder at home. Ask questions like: “When do you eat breakfast?” “What day comes after Monday?” or “What do you do before you go to bed?”



Don't forget to check your child's back pack every day! You can review the work your child has completed in his or her home/school folder. Some work is graded. Look for their “grades” at the top of their paper, a smile with a star is the best grade possible (refer to the rubric given at the beginning of the year). Also check for any notes from the teachers and feel free to put notes in here for us as well. Please remember to work on the homework journal and the “chunk” homework every week.



Science:

Our science unit will focus on living things. It will be exciting in Spring to see all of the growth!



Social Studies:

Continuing our study of Me, Myself, & Others, we will be painting full body self portraits! It will be a BIG process, but we will be starting soon. Look for the finished products displayed in the Kindergarten hallway in May!

