

May 18, 2018

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone enjoyed last weekend and celebrated being a mom. The children were very excited to share their gifts with you.

We began our week with our last visit from the fire department. We had a quick review of what the students had learned throughout the year in the different sessions and sorted what should be used by an adult and what could be used by a child. You should have gotten a paper about this with your child. We then got to go out and each child got to sit in the front of the fire engine and also the back. They were thrilled to do this and hopefully you heard about it. It was a great way to start our week.

In our neighborhood unit we drew a map of our neighborhood, drew pictures of people who would be in our neighborhood to stand up as models in our neighborhood that we will create in our classroom. This is a great project to work on to build our social skills as well.

In Foundations we continue to tap out words. This is when we continue to introduce new trick words. We introduced the words or and for this week. We continue to practice a lot of the skills that we have learned. This week we also introduced barebone sentences. These are simple sentences that have a noun and verb in them. Students will learn how to expand them in first grade.

In math, we continue to work with story problems and equations. The students are getting better about telling story problems that make sense. We have also talked about odd and even numbers. If it is an even number all items have a pair/partner. If it is odd there is an item without a partner.

We are trying to finish up our final assessments. Last week I did the reading/writing testing. This week I tried to do as much of the math testing as possible. Most of it is done. We will still have some unit assessments done in the classroom so this should be the last day that I will be out of the classroom. I know how challenging that can be for the students.

I will be sending in the final book order for the year. If you would like me to hold it until Monday just email me and I will hold it until Monday. Remember, you can always go online and order.

Remember, the concert is next Thursday night. The children should meet me in the cafeteria. They don't need to wear anything special, but some like to dress up. We try to keep the concert to an hour. It usually is very warm in the gym during the concert. Thanks for getting your child to this. It means a lot to everyone.

This was our last week with fruit for our morning snack. So this will mean that you will need to send a snack for mornings as well as continue to send one for the afternoon. It would be great if it could still be a fruit to have in the morning.

Upcoming Events:

5/18: Last Book Order Due

5/24: Spring Concert 6:30

5/28: Memorial Day- No School

6/13: Last day of school for students

Have a great weekend!