

Kindergarten Ketchup



November 18, 2022

Hi Parents,

Here's a peek at what we have been up to this month:

Letterland: We have been working with the sound and letter shapes for the letters Ss, Ii and Nn. We have started to work on reading cvc words (consonant-vowel-consonant) using the roller coaster trick to blend sounds together to read words.

*Rollercoaster trick [video](#) on how we teach the kids to blend sounds together to read new words.

*Rubber band trick [video](#) of how we teach to segment sounds to write words.

Writing: We have finished our first quarter unit on narrative writing. We have started our new unit called "Writing Like a Scientist". We have collected items from nature, learned to zoom in and draw our

items with great detail. We will also label them and use sentence stems to write a basic sentence such as "Here is a _____."

Language Comprehension:

We have learned about informational text as we read Move Like This. We learned how to identify what the whole book was about and tell some key details in the text.

Recently, We have read Mama Panya's Pancakes which allows us to explore different places in our world. We are learning to retell stories and identify characters, setting and major events in a story.

Math:

We have learned how to rote count to 20. The goal for second quarter is 50. We have worked on counting forward from a number other than 1. Students have practiced recognizing and writing numbers 1-10. We have practiced cardinality, subitizing; and counting a certain number of objects in any arrangement. Lastly we have added one more to the set after counting.

Social Studies: We have been learning about the difference between wants and needs. Example: We need food and water to live. We may want a new video game but we do not need it to live.

***Registered and approved volunteers:** please let us know if you would like to come in during the month of December and teach us about a family holiday or tradition. We teach social studies from 3:15-3:40.

Materials Wanted: We are looking to incorporate some fine motor stations into our center time. We are looking for :

- clothespins
- golf tees
- 4 by 6 (ish) pieces of thick styrofoam
- clear quart containers with a lid (take-out soup containers)
- modeling clay

If you have any of the above items, please send them in with your child!

Important dates:

11/23-11/25: Thanksgiving Break

11/28- 12/8: Food drive to benefit the Tri Area Ministry Food Pantry

***December 8:** we will walk down to Tri Area Ministry Food Pantry (9:30-11:00) to deliver the food we collect, sort it, and tour the food pantry.*

We will need chaperones, wagons and parent volunteers bring any food that we cannot bring in our wagons.

12/5: Early Release at 1:45 pm

12/6: Picture retakes

12/12: Interim Reports go home

12/21: Early Release at 1:45 pm

December 22- January 2: Winter Break

January 3rd: Return to School

Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

The Kindergarten Team