



Kinder News

Week of September 8th

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Our Learning

We are coming up on our first full week of school! So far, the children have done very well with the routines and expectations of kindergarten! We have practiced many procedures and started learning content as well.

I've been impressed with their flexibility so far with a few unexpected events: After 3 minutes of our afternoon recess on Wednesday, it started pouring rain and we had to go back to our classroom. (We had "movie time" for 20 minutes and got cozy with blankets.) On Friday, our class Newline board decided to freeze and we had to work without it. Even with the changes, the children have done well!

This coming week may be a bit more challenging with the 5 days of school. Please make sure your child is getting plenty of sleep (10-12 hrs) and is eating well. This helps prepare their brain for their work and play. We are thankful for all you do to support your child's learning and growth!

Here is what we learned this last week:

Bible: God creates the world, Adam and Eve fall into sin, God promises a Savior

Math: Exploration with counting bears and pattern blocks, numbers 1-3

Handwriting: Horizontal lines, vertical lines, writing posture routines

Life Skills: Routine practice, cleaning up as a class

Social Studies: None this week

Science: Living and Nonliving: picture sort

Music: Music song stories, different voices

Reading: SUPERKIDS - C for Cass

PE: Group listening games, parachute

Art: Kissing Hand craft, watercolor painting

Raider Rally: N/A this week (more info on this later)

Centers: Variety of activities in the following categories; pre-writing, writing, STEM, art, fine motor, technology, and small group reading skills with Mrs. Barnett

May God bless your week!



Important Dates

Sept. 15 @ 10 AM- School sings at Lakeview park. (All children should be present; arrive a few minutes early, bring lawn chairs to sit in; bring a dish to pass if you plan to stay for the picnic)

Life Skills Practice

In this box, I will explain what we have learned in "life skills," to encourage practice at home. This week, we will talk about patience. Remind your child to wait their turn to talk and try to not let them interrupt you when you are talking.

Announcements & Reminders

Extra Clothes - If your child has an accident or needs to change clothes for any reason, please send new clothes the next day. Wet clothes will be sent in a grocery bag or ziplock bag that day.

Rest Time - Rest time blankets will be sent home roughly every week (unless it's a short week) so that they can be washed. They will go home Friday; please send them back on Monday.

Family Time Encouragement - You are so important to your child; they love to talk about you. Try to routinely ask your child about their days at school. This can be a special bonding time. When I was in grade school, my dad always asked us kids to tell him our favorite and least favorite thing that happened at school. It helped to keep him in the loop about how things were going at school and promoted family conversation at the dinner table. Even when life is busy, try to take a few minutes to talk!