

Kindergarten News

December 2023

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What's Happening:

Happy December! We are nearing the end of the second quarter. We are continually learning new things every day. We are busy working on numbers and learning about our new Superkid, Doc.

Students have been writing words, talking about writing sentences with one uppercase letter, finger spaces between words, and using end punctuation.

Students are doing a great job recognizing upper- and lower-case letters of the alphabet, letter sounds, and numbers 0-20. We will continue working on these skills every day. We are also working on identifying beginning, middle, and end sounds in words.

ABC Letter Sounds & Names:

Keep practicing saying their letter names and sounds at home. I highly encourage students go through these cards nightly.

Sight Words:

I highly encourage students go through these cards' multiple times a week.

Monthly Reading Log:

Complete as many of the challenges as you can for the month of December. Those students who have submitted November's Reading Challenge and approved your Pizza Hut participation, you will receive a Pizza Hut Book It! certificate emailed to you or it will be stapled to your newsletter.

Winter Gear:

With the weather changing, please make sure your child comes to school with appropriate, labeled clothing, such as hat, gloves, coat, boots, and snow pants. It is also a great idea to have a change of clothes in your child's backpack, just in case their clothes get wet during the day.

Upcoming Events:

Late Start:

- ❖ Wednesday, December 6, 2023 for Staff Development
 - School starts at 10:15am

NO School:

- ❖ Winter Break

Monday, December 25, 2023 - Friday, January 5, 2024

Academic Standards

Math:

1. Count to 100 by 1's, 2's, 5's, and 10's.
2. Can count forward beyond 20.
3. Can count backwards from 20 consecutively.
4. Can write & identify numbers 0-20 and make a model.
5. Students can add and subtract numbers to 5.
6. Students can compare three shapes and describe their similarities and differences using attributes and vocabulary.
7. Students can sort objects into groups.
8. Students can compare two whole numbers 0-100, using greater than, less than, and equal.

Reading:

1. Know letter names & sounds.
2. Fluently read all Quarter 1 & 2 sight words.
3. Students can write words using the correct letter to represent a sound.
4. Students can create a list of three or more words that rhyme with a given word.
5. Students can make a new one-syllable word by removing, adding, or changing a sound in a given word.

Writing:

1. Write all letters of the alphabet.
2. Students can sort and create a rule for objects they are giving, and verbally explain their rule.
3. Student can create pieces of functional writing with help.

Science:

1. Dealing with weather.
 - * Weather Patterns, Weather Hazards, and Energy from the Sun.

Social Studies:

1. Geography
 - *Identify the globe and a map.
 - *Identify between land and water on a globe or map.
 - *Identify the United States of America and Idaho on a map.

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Vandal Basketball Game

All K-6th grade students were invited to attend a University of Idaho basketball game on Tuesday, December 19th. We will be leaving the school around 11:30am and returning before the dismissal of school at 3:07pm

December Fun!

❖ Dress Up Days

- Friday, December 1, 2023
 - **Winter Socks**
- Friday, December 8, 2023
 - **Bright Lights:** Wear your class color
 - Kindergarten is **WHITE!**
- Friday, December 15, 2023
 - **Flannel**
- Friday, December 22, 2023
 - **Candy Cane:** Wear red and white, red and green, etc...

Celebrate the Holidays Music Concert

- ❖ Friday, December 22, 2023
 - 5-6th
 - 8:30am
 - 3-4th
 - 9:00am
 - K-2nd
 - 9:30am
- ❖ All performances will be held in the Troy Elementary Multipurpose Room (Cafeteria)



Contact Me:

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

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I will check this email every morning, afternoon, and sometimes in between.

