# Kindergarten News

## October 2023

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## What's Happening:

Happy Autumn! Each child is learning so much and we are starting to wrap up quarter one! We are busy learning about our new Superkid, Oswald.

We have been working on writing all the upper and lower case letters of the alphabet and numbers o-10. We will keep working on writing letters and numbers every day. We will be starting to write and recognize numbers up to 20, for the second quarter.

## **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 Challenge:**

October's Reading Challenge is attached to this newsletter. Complete as many of the challenges as you can before Monday, October 31, 2022. Those students who turn in their October Reading Challenge at the end of the month, will receive a Pizza Hut Book It! certificate.

#### **Parent Teacher Conferences:**

Tuesday, October 10th and Wednesday, October 11th.

We will be having in person conferences. Appointment link was sent out by Mrs.Vogt and is listed below:

#### Mrs. Heath's:

https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/o/selfsched?sstoken=U UdSbUhHbHdHbHltfGRIZmF1bHR8ZWI1MzFhOWU1YmMwM2 E4ODUyMDZjNGEwODNINDgzNTk

### Too Good!:

Be on the lookout for a "home workout" from the program, called A Peaceable Place: Too Good! I sent home the first one last week. We will be working with our friend Tuggles the bear puppet to help us learn how to make good choices and make good friends.

## **Academic Standards**

#### Math:

- 1. Count to 100 by 1's, 2's, 5's, and 10's.
- 2. Can count forward beyond 10.
- 3. Can count backwards from 10 consecutively.
- 5. Can write & identify numbers 0-20 and match number to the correct amount of objects.
- 6. Count objects and tell how many.
- 7. Name 2 & 3 Dimensional shapes.

#### Reading:

- 1. Know letter names & sounds.
- 2. Fluently read all Quarter 1 sight words.
- 3. Students can identify how many syllables in words.
- 4. Students can identify the difference between a word and a letter.
- 5. Students can identify a simple sentence.
- 6.Students can blend the onset (beginning sound) and rime (ending sound) of a word.

#### Writing:

- 1. Students can show their opinion about a given topic using a combination of drawing, dictation, writing, and justify their opinion.
- 2. Write all letters of the alphabet.

#### Science:

- 1. Humans and the needs of organisms.\*Plant Needs
  - \*Reducing Human Impact

#### **Social Studies:**

- 1. Describe how individuals have similarities and differences.
- 2. Identify personal traits, such as courage, honesty, and responsibility.
- 3. I can compare my thoughts and opinions with those of my classmates.

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## Field Trip:

## **Spring Valley Family Tree Farm**

When: Wednesday, October 11, 2023

**Time:** 8:45am-10:45am

Students will be heading out for their first field trip to pick out a pumpkin from Spring Valley Family Tree Farm. Along with picking out a pumpkin we get participate in a hayride and straw bale maze. Parents are welcome to come volunteer and experience this time with their child. There is limited seating on the bus so, please let me know if you want to join us or you may take a personal vehicle to the Spring Valley Tree Farm. Please let me know if you would like to attend by Monday, October 9th kheath@troysd287.org or 208-835-4261.

We will be using these pumpkins to apply our math, reading, and writing skills on Tuesday, October 31, 2023 for our Pumpkin Math Day. Each child will get to take their pumpkin home.

\*We will not be celebrating Halloween at school. Please leave costumes and candy at home.



## **Upcoming Events:**

### **NO School:**

- Friday, October 6, 2023 for Teacher In-service
- Friday, October 13, 2023 for End of the Quarter

### **Early Release:**

Thursday, October 12, 2023 @ 1:15pm

#### Late Start:

- Wednesday, October 18, 2023 for Staff Development
  - School starts at 10:15am

## Parent Teacher Conferences: 3:30pm-7:15pm

- Tuesday, October 10, 2023
- Wednesday, October 11, 2023