



What We're Learning

Language Arts:

- Fluently recognizing letters and producing their sounds
- Phonemic Awareness Skills- Reference handout from curriculum night
- Understanding the purpose of the author and illustrator and the basic differences between fiction and non-fiction

Math: Unit 2 Begins 10/12

- Writing numbers 0-20-
 - Please note: This is an ongoing skill for the year.
- Counting to 20 from any given number
- Counting up to 20 objects
- Identifying and writing the value of the penny and nickel
- Ordinal numbers 1st-5th
- Interpreting a picture graph by explaining more and less

Science:

- Explaining that FORCE is a PUSH or PULL that causes MOTION, and MOTION is movement.
- Explaining the types of movement caused by force
 - straight, zig zag, curved, circular, fast and slow, motionless, back and forth

Handwriting:

- Aa, Tt, Mm, Nn, Pp, Rr, Cc, Ss

Notes From the Teacher

Dear Parents,

This week we made artwork with motion, named our new class pet (Gummy Bear the Beta fish), and began a new chapter book as a class. We spent one more week reviewing Unit 1 math standards and writing the letters P, R, C, and S. We will now head into new content areas, and switch back into social studies with a unit on Columbus Day.

Parent conferences will continue through next week. It has been a pleasure meeting with everyone so far, and I look forward to speaking with the remaining parents. If you have not scheduled a conference, please contact me as soon as possible so that we can set a date.

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Direct Fund Drive. It truly makes a difference in our school, and I appreciate your support. The last day to donate in October 13th.

Many families have been using Dreambox very effectively. Thank you for using the program. Remember, the recommend usage per student per week is 60 minutes. That includes time spent in school and home, but the more they practice the better they will get. Also, please be sure your child completes assignments before moving on. We cannot see progress, unless they complete each stage.

Thank you,

Jessica Sims and Angela Giarratano

Important Dates

- 10-13-16: Final Day of Direct Fund Drive
- 10-19-16: Uncle Bob's Farm Field Trip
- 10-27-16: Picture Retakes
- 10-28-16: Fall Festival
- 10-18-16: Scholastic Book Club Orders Due
- 11-2-16: Fall Fun Day (In class celebration)