

K-1 News

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Big things happening this week! Tomorrow we start lunch in the cafeteria area with the rest of the school. We went on a "dry run" this morning and everyone was sure they can do it! Thanks to all of you for helping your kinders learn their student id number. That will help.

And Wednesday is Open House! We are excited to show off our accomplishments. We've got writing, art, science and math up to share. We will also have science all around the room so I'll expect to hear lots of "Oh, how interesting!"

In Math we will spend the rest of the year learning about time, money and addition. Last week we learned about telling time to the hour using an analog clock and this week we will be learning which coin is which with penny, nickel, dime and quarter. We will also begin learning why addition is an important skill to master. We will do story problems, math boxes with equations and diagrams to show what an equation would look like

In science we will finish up our unit on animals. We've learned a lot about snails, worms and isopods. I have watched your kinders become very inquisitive about the creatures in their world. We will also begin our last science unit on oceanography. It is a fun unit which helps us learn about some habitats around us and also provide us with many opportunities to practice skills we've been learning all year in reading, writing, math and science.

In reading we will be doing some of our last reading group work. Our Title 1 push-in program only goes until the end of May, so your kinders will only be bringing home yellow reading folders this week and next week.

Open House-please join us for Open House this Wednesday. Friendship Floats before the meeting in the MPR, then touring the classrooms and checking out First Grade, shopping at the Book Fair and finally, checking out the new playground structures and possibly buying a brick for the walkway. It is sure to be a fabulous evening and everyone will be home by bedtime!

Field Trip- On Monday June 9th we are going to the Children's Museum. We will leave Baywood at 9:00 and get picked up at the museum at 11:30 to return by 12:00. The first 5 chaperones to sign up are free. Anyone else who would like to go will need to pay the \$6 fee. This is another opportunity provided to us by the PTA.

Early Dismissal- Don't forget that kinders are dismissed at 12:00 each day beginning June 2 for the last 2 weeks of school. Please notify your childcare providers and Dial-a-Ride to prevent late pick-ups.

Homework

1. Read or be read to for 15 minutes each day.
2. Return your yellow reading folder.
3. Bring your family to Open House. Talk with them about what you want to see and what you want them to see and do.

Coming Events