



October 24, 2011

What a fun week we had - a trip to the farm, science experiments, an iPad Interactive book, our class book on Billy's Bucket - (Thank you so much Miss Cathy for allowing us color copy a booklet for each student!) Lots more fun this week as we wrap up our Water, Water Everywhere Unit. See the attached Weekly Lessons for all the details.

A Note from the Teacher:

Jennifer Polaski

Mrs. Wishy Washy

I am sure by now you have heard all about the funny little books we have been reading about Mrs. Wishy Washy and her farm animals. This week the children will be practicing reading the book and acting out the story. We would like to invite you in on **Friday October 28th at 12:30pm** to see our final production. Lots of fun and such a good opportunity for our beginning readers to have an audience for their impressive new skills.

We will need a few props if you could help us...

- a frilly full apron (the kind with a "bib")
- a washer woman type bonnet (think white colonial bonnet) or some type of scarf that can be tied around the head
- fuzzy slippers

Let me know ASAP if you can supply any of these for our production. Thanks in advance!

Halloween

We will be celebrating **Halloween in Kindergarten on Monday October 31st**. Children are invited to wear their costumes to school. Please nothing too scary. Also be sure they can maneuver about in their costume as we will be still having Centers and usual class activities.

Parents (and family!) are invited to attend our Parade which will begin at 9:15am. You are also invited to stay for Center Time (9:30-10:45) immediately following the Parade. We will have some of our "Water" activities and some special Halloween activities. This is a perfect time to see what Centers are all about in Kindergarten. The children love sharing this with their families.

As far as a special snack goes, I think we will save this for lunch time at 11:30 to share with our PM friends as well.

I would love a several volunteers to send in the following:

- Festive napkins and plates
- Juice boxes
- Halloween Treat (small cupcakes, cookies, etc)
- Fun "Healthy" snack (I'm open to suggestions!)

Please hit "Reply All" when volunteering. I will then coordinate and send a finalized volunteer list. And don't worry if we miss you this time - Thanksgiving is just around the corner!

Library Field Trip

Please save the date of **Wednesday November 16** for a Field Trip to the Chesapeake Public Library on Cedar Road. The librarians will give us a tour of the library, a story time, and a chance to sign up for a library card! We will have Kindergarten at school from 8:50am -11:10am. I will give the children a snack time at 10:45, and have you all pick up your children at 11:10. We will then meet at the library at 11:30 for an 60-90 minute program. We will dismiss from the library.

Little Readers

We have had a lot of little readers come home in the past few weeks. The children are doing an amazing job with their reading. But remember, the key to reading success is reading every day. I hope you all are having fun with these readers and your Treasure Book Box!

Christmas Service Project

A notice went home last week about a Christmas Service Project CBC will be participating in - OUR HOUSE FAMILIES provides emergency shelter to families in crisis. Visit www.ourhousefamilies.org for more information on all this organization does for families in need. CBC would like to concentrate on helping the parents of these families this Christmas. Please refer to the notice and consider donating household good, clothing, gift cards, and toiletries. (Household goods and clothing may be gently used).

Kindergarten will be using our sorting, counting, tallying, reading and writing skills to keep track of the school's donations and post the current results at the front reception area. Get the family involved and watch the amazing way God will work in your children.

Homework

Homework Bags and Workbooks are due tomorrow. **PLEASE PUT ALL HOMEWORK PAPERS/WORKBOOKS IN YOUR CHILD'S HOMEWORK ZIPLOCK BAG - NOT THE LETTER BAG.**

Have a great week!
Jennifer