

#### News and Notes

Mrs. Long's Kindergarten Classroom

Week of: August 25, 2014

## Here's what we are working on!

Reading: We will continue learning about the concepts of print, distinguishing between how many words are in a sentence and how many letters are in a word. We've also introduced syllables and rhyming words, which will be constant throughout the school year.

Letters/Sounds: Mm, Ss

HFW(High Frequency Words, Sight Words): a

Word Families: None

Theme: I am Special!

Stories: Mice Squeak, We Speak, Hello Toes! Hello

Feet!, Everything Grows

<u>Writing:</u> We will be writing a book called "Marvelous Me" to go with the letter Mm and All About Me projects! We will also learn about authors and what their purpose is in the writing process.

<u>Math:</u> We are still focusing on counting and getting through the teen numbers in the correct order. We're also working on Counting Books - identifying, counting, and modeling numbers up to 10.

<u>Science:</u> We will not be doing Science this week so that we can spend our timing sharing All About Me projects!

<u>Social Studies:</u> We will be sharing out big All About me People this week. We will practice being a good listener and speaker, along with building out classroom community and learning about each other!

Health: We will be tying health into reading, leanring about parts of the body (with our story Hello Toes!

Hello Feet!), and stages of growth (with our poem Everything Grows).

#### Important Dates:

 Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> – Picture Day

Our classroom matrix will be coming home this week. It shows the many ways students are expected to be Safe, Honest, and Respectful in the classroom. Please keep this in a safe place and review it with your child throughout the school year.

Your support in building a positive learning environment is greatly appreciated!

### Other Reminders

Please write names on water bottlesthe clear plastic bottles are easily mixed up!

Water ONLY in the classroom, including snack time.



Thank to for attending curriculum

Night last Tuesday! It was great to
see so many parents involved and
supporting their child's education!
If there is anything you would like
more information about, let me
know!



# Here's what we have been doing ...

Last week we spent a lot of our math time on counting and sorting. We practiced counting out a certain number of objects, being sure not to count too fast or too slow. We worked on moving objects as we count them to make sure we didn't count too many or not enough. We also practiced sorting objects and people into groups! We sorted groups like tennis shoes and not tennis shoes, as well as by the colors students were wearing. In reading we began sequencing. We learned about why the order of a story is so important! In writing we finished up our color books! In Science we discovered that our banana had burst open and put banana juice all over our recording sheets – and they had to go into the garbage – yuck!







Keep sending in those Box Tops!

Esperanza also takes Labels for Education from Campbell's Soup cans.



#### Specials Schedule

Monday - Computer Lab with Mrs. Long

Tuesday - Library with Mr. Kloss-Fillinger ("Mr. K"), Long Term Sub for Mrs. Davies

Wednesday - Music with Music with Dr. van Oostrom, ("Dr. V")

Thursday - Art with Ms. Murphrey

Friday - P.E. with Mr. Moser (wear tennis shoes)



If you ever have questions or concerns, please contact me right away.

Parent/Teacher communication is the key to your child's success. We are both here to support your child and encourage them to be their very best!



Click on the icon to email me with any questions.