

Fall NWEA Testing

Next week we will begin our fall NWEA testing. For kindergarten we will do this in small groups. I will get a group of 4 kids started on their test while others will work on review packets, coloring, or quiet stations.

I will be sure to give the kids a lot of brain breaks. Kindergarten actually seems to enjoy the tests as it is their first time using the iPads in the classroom. I am keeping everything light and fun next week and plan on including fall crafts and stories for our afternoons. If anyone has something they would like to do special with the kids, like a craft kit or special treat to cook, please let me know.

Class Parties

Bummer news about our class parties. I am so sorry that I told you wrong at our open house. I did not know that our party rule had changed and that every parent cannot come to every party. We are only allowed our room parents plus 2 helpers. There is also a rule about siblings but I want to get clarification on this first before I say much.

I have a solution to this.

The class votes on and earns bonus parties/days/experiences. Right now they are working towards extra recess but future rewards will be a baking party, craft party, toy car day..... These would be a wonderful opportunity for parents to come in and have this fun experience with their child. We also have a few things with Superkids that we will do such as a picnic and a large cardboard bus that they will decorate.

Another thought is that I would love it if you would want to share with the class either something about your career, a special hobby you do, a culture, or just something unique or special that the class could learn about. We love cooking in kindergarten and creating art. These sorts of experiences add to your child's learning and make it more meaningful. So please accept my apology and hopefully you can participate in something even more special with your child.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Next Week

All Week

NWEA Testing

Friday, September 25

Spirit Friday: Wear King's Academy colors or apparel for a chance for our class to win the spirit stick!

Looking Ahead

Wednesday, September 30 Chapel Birthdays and Baptism Birthdays

Wednesday, October 7 Chapel Fruit of the Spirit and Grandparent's Day

SOCIAL STUDIES & SCIENCE

We will use our afternoon social studies and science time to learn about everything fall.

MATH

The class is starting to learn about money with the penny. They are also working on a September calendar, counting the days of school, 10 frames and tally marks.

SHOW AND TELL

Theme: Letter G

MEMORY

The Lord will keep you from all evil.

Psalm 121:7

RELIGION

We will finish Unit 1 this week talking about Joseph interpreting dreams. Unit 2 is titled God Leads His Nation

READING

We get to meet Superkid #3 this week. We will be working with the G sound.

Your children are working a lot on beginning sounds and rhyming words and have also started segmenting and decoding words. They are doing great work!

READ ALOUDS

So far the class has listened to the first 3 books of Junie B Jones. If you've ever read these books you will know the Miss Junie B has a lot of sass and learns the hard way often. It has led to a lot of good discussions about words we use and rude behaviors.

I talked the class into taking a little break from Junie B to listen to Magic Tree House. They were not fans of the idea because they love Junie B but now that they have listened to the first few chapters of Dinosaurs Before Dark they are hooked. My favorite part of read aloud time is when I close the book and hear the grumbles from the class because they don't want me to stop reading.