

K is for Kindergarten! 10-19-18

Wow, fall has arrived! With these cooler temperatures, please make sure your child has appropriate cold weather gear. It also brings a lot of excitement about Halloween. Boys and girls are allowed to wear costumes to school on the day of the party. Please put any costume accessories in a bag with your child's name. Also, please have your child wear his/her clothes underneath. We will be taking off costumes before we go to lunch.

Things to Work on at Home

- Practice writing your name with an uppercase letter at the beginning
- Practice holding the pencil correctly
- Practice writing #s 1-10
- Here is a link for helping with handwriting <u>https://www.rochester.k12.mi.us/pages/5883/handwriting</u>
- Read every night for 15 minutes!
- Think of words that begin with the letters M, N, K and Y

Upcoming Events and Reminders

- Our Halloween Party is on 10/31 from 10:00-11:00.
- Pajama Day Friday, October 26th
- Field Trip to Premier Pets: Thursday, November 8th
- Please make sure to return I-chat forms with a copy of your ID to be able to volunteer in the classroom[®]

This Week's Focus

Reader's Workshop:

This week in Reader's Workshop we...

- Tried to read more of the exact words from familiar stories
- Pointed to words we know how to read
- Read with our reading partner

Writer's Workshop:

This week in Writer's Workshop we...

- Began writing true stories about something we have done in our life
- Planned our writing before we started to make sure we shared who was there and what we did
- Added details to help the reader see what we did

Word Work:

This week in Word Work we...

- Met Missy Mouse (Mm), Nigel Night Owl (Nn), Keke Kangaroo (Kk), & Yancy Yak (Yy).
- Practiced building and writing these letters.
- Thought of words that begin with these sounds and added them to our ABC books.

Math:

This week in Math we...

- Filled out a number grid
- Did a pocket number activity to find out what happens when we add one to a number
 - Played "Match -It" with dot cards

Theme:

This week in Theme we...

- Learned about scientists and what they do
- Drew ourselves as a scientist
- Learned scientists use their 5 senses to explore the world around them
- Used our 5 senses to explore a leaf from the playground
- Learned we should never taste something unless we know it is safe to put in our mouth