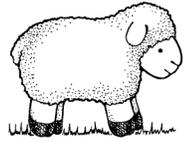




Kindergarten March Newsletter



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Readers' Workshop

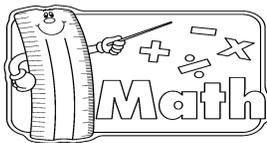
We will begin our next unit, *Bigger Books, Bigger Reading Muscles*. Students will learn different reading strategies to help them read and decode more difficult words. Students will learn to use all of the reading superpowers they have learned when reading books independently at school and at home.

Writers' Workshop

Students will begin writing "How To" books, where they will learn how to write books to teach the reader how to do something. Students will be able to think of task they are to do themselves and then write a book to teach others how to do it. (ex: make a snowman, make a sandwich, tie your shoes.)

Fundations

We will be working on the concepts of consonant digraphs, keywords, and sounds. Our new sounds are sh, ch, th, wh, and ck. Students will be able to blend and read three-sound short vowel sounds (short vowels with digraphs). Examples of three-short words with digraphs are duck, mash, path, much, and whiz.



Students will be finishing the unit on addition and subtraction. The students will continue to use manipulatives to help them put groups together when adding and taking away from a given group when subtracting. Students will then move into the next chapter learning the numbers 11-20. Students will learn how these numbers are the sum of ten plus some ones. They will be using manipulatives and hands on activities to show how to decompose a given number, 11-20.

Social Studies

- St. Patrick's Day
- Space
- Community Helpers

Science

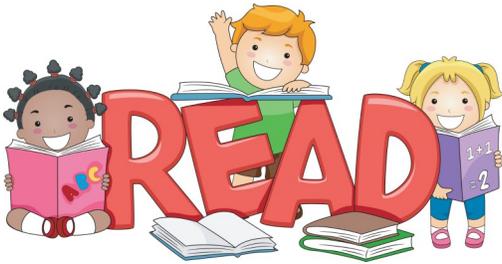
- Signs of Spring
- Weather
- Fairy Tale Engineering and Design



Special Area News

Library

Students will be learning about scientists and the tools they use. We will be conducting simple experiments in library. Students will be using STEM kits to explore and use their problem solving skills. Students will also celebrate Read Across America Day.



Physical Education

We will March into P.E. celebrating Dr. Seuss week. The unit coordinates Dr. Seuss books with fun physical activities.

March will continue with a review of our fitness focused stations. Our fun fitness challenges and activities teach the importance of physical activity. We focus on fitness concepts and the importance of being strong and healthy.

As always, we ask that your child comes to the gym prepared with sneakers!



Important Dates

- March 9th- PTA Meeting
- March 11th- Paint Night
- March 17th- Report Cards will be available on the Parent Portal
- March 18th- Spring Pictures

Our Kindergarten classes will be going on a field trip to the Longwood Public Library this month.

Music

March is "Music in Our Schools Month." During this month the kindergarten students will be learning to dance a Jig, play the spoons to Irish music and watch some Irish dancing as well. I will bring in my Irish dance shoes and show them a little sample of hard shoe and soft shoe dancing as well. We will finish out the month by learning new songs that we will be singing in our May performance!

