



Mrs. Hunwick's First Facts

Language Arts/ Math

Dear Parents:

The children are enjoying the stories we are reading at group time along with activities that correlate with their stories.

This week we will begin Theme 2 Week 3. The strategies we are focusing on when we work on the Smart Board and during group time are summarizing, story structure and blending. The phonics sounds worked on this week are q, j, z and short u. This weeks sight words (know upon first sight without sounding them out): *are, away, does, he, live, pull, they and where*. These words were sent home on Friday.

Again, if your child can read these words please practice spelling the words. If your child can spell the words your child can practice writing complete sentences (capital letters, spaces, handwriting, punctuation) using these words.

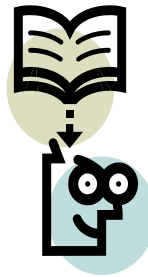
In writing we are currently working on widen-

ing writing possibilities into lists, letters and real world purposes. We have discovered that life presents many instances that call for writing and we have been creating examples of these moments. The class has also engaged in "fixing up or fancying up" writing. They are learning how to take a part of the piece of writing and edit or correct it. The children are currently publishing one of their favorite pieces.

This time of year acts as a springboard for many special projects and activities.

In math Unit 2 Assessment was given and we are beginning Unit Three about visual patterns, number patterns and counting using addition/subtraction, frames and arrows and values of collections of coins.

Thank you for returning Home Links.



Grow Into Reading!

Science/ Social Studies

In Science we continue to work on our year long study of weather but we will be starting a unit about Solids and Liquids next month. There will be more information to follow.

We are currently working on Unit 2 -*In My Community* for Social Studies. This unit introduces children to aspects of life in a community and helps children learn about their rela-

tionship to home, neighborhood, community and state. This topic falls under the umbrella of our Unit Needs and Wants of a family.

In Computers I have the children working on programs such as Study Dog, Colonial America, Kidspiration and Kid Keys.

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Special points of interest:

- ☺ Picture re-take day is 10.26.
- ☺ Children come to school in their costumes Friday October 29th in the morning. Parade begins at 8:45 and the party begins at 10:20. School will be dismissed at 11:36. There is no school due to teacher meetings in the afternoon of the 29th.
- ☺ Overflow parking will not be allowed on the playground. There is parking in the city lots or on Notre Dame.
- ☺ Please make sure your child has their Take-Home Folder with them each day.
- ☺ Mrs. Crawford, our school Social Worker, came to our classroom to do a lesson about Empathy.
- ☺ We will do a project with our buddies: Mrs. Davis's 5th grade class.