



ECP School Family Weekly Newsletter

Ms. Dorothy's AM and PM Classes

Week of January 21-24, 2020

What's coming up this week:

****Children entering Kindergarten or Young 5s in the fall are required to have a vision screening & up-to-date immunizations. Parents can have these completed at their pediatrician's office, or at the Wayne Co. Health Dept.: HearingAndVisionProgram@waynecounty.com or call 734-727-7136.**

Our Planned Themes: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr, Kindness/Peace, This week is Barnes "Great Kindness Week," Letter B, Baby Beluga We'll focus on Kindness in everyday interactions in the classroom, making kind choices and reading books about Kindness!

Featured Letter/Sound, Letter B sound as in "baby." The gesture for this sound is to pretend you are rocking a baby. Sound production for /b/ is lips together, vocal cords vibrate, and remember; don't add the vowel sound. Orthographic Letter Formation: Big line down, jump up, little curve to the middle, little curve to the bottom.

Also, the PM class will welcome a new student, Sawyer Lucas! We bid a fond farewell to Sawyer in the morning as he will be joining the PM class this week. Now, both classes (AM and PM) each have 10 students.

Main Featured Books: Baby Beluga by Raffi, Who Sank the Boat by Pamela Allen.

Our Upcoming Week with plans and scheduled activities. Please know that unexpected/unanticipated changes could shift what we have scheduled.

Monday: No School; Observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. day

Tuesday: Weekly Tuesday Music Class with Ms. Christine

Wednesday: Yoga with Ms. TJ; Remember comfy clothes and easy slip on/off shoes, ART center in the classroom, We're doing FINGERPAINTING this week, please dress accordingly on Wednesday

and Thursday, Wednesday LOCKDOWN Drill at 2:15pm PM Class: Ms. Brandy Rokicki, our School Social Worker comes in to read a story and teach us a calming breathing technique.

Thursday: GYM (Wear Athletic Shoes for GYM!), continue with Classroom ART/Fingerpainting!

Friday: Continue with weekly themed activities. If your child was absent, we may be doing his/her fingerpainting project today. Please dress accordingly!



****Due to current weather conditions, we will not be planning on outside recess in the foreseeable future.**

****School Wellness Refresher: Now that we're in the winter season, please remember the Barnes School Health Policy. Please know that students need to be healthy in order to optimally function in the school setting, in terms of their learning, socialization and behavior! Germs can travel quickly and please know that some students have compromised immune systems. Fevers of 100 degrees or higher, diarrhea, excessive oral/nasal congestion, unexplained rashes, discharge from the eyes, ears or other body parts are all reasons for students to rest their bodies at home in order for a healthy successful recuperation to take place. In the cases of a fever (as fevers can indicate serious medical conditions): a child must be fully recovered before returning to the demands of learning in the school setting; therefore, a child must have gone 24 hours with no fever or symptoms (or medications that temporarily dampen fevers.) ** Please See Handouts on Ms. Dorothy's Hallway Board***

High School Helpers for January: Claire Cameron/AM and Annie Fleming/PM

Upcoming Dates

Tuesday January 21, 2020: Kick off School-Wide Great Kindness Week

Wednesday January 22, 2020: Lockdown Drill at 2:15pm

Friday January 31, 2020: Lou's Pet Shop Assembly during our school day

Friday February 7, 2020: No School Barnes PLC Day

Friday February 14, 2020: Mid-Winter Break begins after school is dismissed.

Monday February 24, 2020: School resumes

Highlights from last week: P week: Both Classes: We enjoyed learning about Peace and how Monday (Jan. 21) is a very special day when we remember Dr. Martin Luther Jr. We learned a song about Dr. King and sang it together holding hands. (See Song Sheet). In the PM class, Ms. Brandy, our school social worker, came in to read a Social Story and to review 2 breathing techniques; "Roller Coaster" and "Bunny Breathing." In both classes, we are also learning a new routine for snack time. On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, Table One students eat snack at the red table and Table Two Students eat snack at the Blue Table. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, Table Two Students eat snack at the red table and Table One Students eat snack at the Blue Table.

January 2020 Star Schedule. Child brings a Show and Tell Item. Please notify Ms. Dorothy if there is an error on this schedule. If you know in advance that your child will be absent on his/her Star Day, you can ask another parent to switch with you or please notify Ms. Dorothy. Please keep your child's show and tell item in his/her backpack. Your child brings his/her backpack into the classroom on his/her Star day. Please ask for the backpack at the end of class. The Star is invited to do special classroom jobs throughout the school day.

Tuesday January 21: Isaac and Cassidy

Wednesday January 22: Benjamin and Walter

Thursday January 23: Luca and Margo

Friday January 24: Johnny/Birthday and Emily

Monday January 27: TeeShawna and William G.

Tuesday January 28: Felix and Tripp

Wednesday January 29: Vinnie/Birthday and Campbell

Thursday January 30: Andrew and Sawyer

Friday January 31: Lilian an Will J.

Monday February 3: Johnny and Greyson

