

ECP School Family Weekly Newsletter

Ms. Dorothy's AM and PM Classes

Week of January 6-10, 2020

What's coming up this week:

Our Planned Themes and Topics: D week, "D" Sound as in Drum, Listen to the beat of a drum, Dinosaurs, <u>NO David</u> by David Shannon, Letter D: Big Line Down, Jump Up, Big Curve, We'll paint with dinosaurs, read <u>Dinosaur Roar</u> by Paul and Henrietta Strickland and talk about the charcter David in the book, <u>No David</u>.

*Parents of students who are Kindergarten/Young Fives Eligible for the 2020-21 school year are encouraged to attend the Kindergarten Young Fives meeting at each elementary school this coming Thursday January 9, 2020 at 6:30pm.

*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, unexplanined 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 Handout

High School Helpers for January: Claire Cameron continues in the AM and Annie Fleming returns in the PM! We are happy to welcome both young ladies back to our classroom!

Please see D words and new star schedule for January 2020.

Our Upcoming Week with plans and scheduled activities. Please know that unexpected/unanticipated changes could shift what we have scheduled. Monday Jan. 6: Ms. Maribeth, our Occupational Therapist works in our classroom on



Mondays, Introduce the D sound and letter formation. Tuesday Jan. 7: Regular Weekly Music class with Ms. Christine: Continue with Letter D activities Wed. Jan. 8: Regular weekly Yoga Class with Ms. TJ, best bet: wear loose fitting clothes and easy slip on/off shoes, can't hurt to label your child's socks, begin art project with Ms. Vicki, Best bet: wear old clothes. This week's art: Painting with Dinosaurs! Thursday Jan. 9: Gym Continue with art projects and themed activities. Friday Jan 10: Wrap Up letter D themed activities **Due to current weather conditions, we will not be planning on outside recess in the foreseeable future.

AM Class: Needed: 3 and 5 oz cups A Great Big Thank you to everyone who recently donated items to our classroom. Also, please save and send in "Box Tops for Education." Barnes can really use them. Thank you for your generosity!

Upcoming Dates

Friday January 17, 2020: No School Barnes PLC/Staff Professional Development

Monday January 20, 2020: No School: Observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

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

Highlights from last week: Week of Dec. 16: We had fun with Holiday Spirit week, making our special project gift for Mom and Dad and decorating/baking Gingerbread cookies. We watched the "Gingerbread Baby" Read Aloud on the smart board. We got right back in to the class routine on Thursday Jan 2. We enjoyed learning about our New Year and the book <u>Amanda Dade's New Year's Paradel</u>

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January 2020 Star Schedule. 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.

Monday January 6: Benjamin and Kassidy

Tuesday January 7: Luca and Walter

Wednesday January 8: TeeShawna and Margo

Thursday January 9: Felix and Emily

Friday January 10: Andrew and William G.

Monday January 13: Lilian and Tripp

Tuesday January 14 Johnny and Campbell

Wednesday January 15: Matthew and Will J.

Thursday January 16: Vinnie and Greyson

Friday January 17: NO School; Barnes Staff PLC/PD

Monday January 20: NO School: Observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Tuesday January 21: Isaac and Kassidy

Wednesday January 22: Benjamin and Walter

Thursday January 23: Luca and Margo

Friday January 24: Johnny/Birthday and Emily