



November 14, 2008

Kindergarten News

Home Literacy Program

Our literacy homework program will begin on Monday, November 17th. Students will be bringing home their literacy folders every Monday. They are to be returned the following Monday. Please have your child read their book many times over the week to build fluency and confidence. Also, read and discuss the comprehension questions on the SCHOOL/HOME activity. Complete the reading log before returning the literacy folder.

Remember, if you have any feedback about this program; please write a comment on the reading log. You may also email any questions for a quicker response from me.

Thanksgiving Party

On Wednesday, November 26th, our kindergarten students will have a special day of sharing in celebration of the spirit of Thanksgiving. Our classes will join together with family and friends to share food and give thanks for all that we have.

The morning class celebration will take place at 10:00 and the afternoon class at 12:00. Please be here on time if you are planning to join us since his day is a shortened day for students.

If you did not get to sign up to send in something for our party, you can send in a box of crackers or some other "healthy" snack food. Contact me should you have any questions.

The N.E.D. Show

On Thursday, November 20th there will be a cultural arts program entitled, *The N.E.D. Show*. This assembly combines a great message with yo-yos, humor and audience participation to teach students how to develop three valuable characteristics involved in becoming champions at school and in life...

Never give up (focus, persistence)

Encourage others (kindness, shared learning)

Do your best (diligence, excellence).

Parent's Corner

Special thanks go out to everyone who attended parent/teacher conferences this week. An extra-special thanks goes out to all family members who find the time to work with your children at home. It is so important to always remember that we operate as a team ... together for the benefit of your children and my students. I appreciate your support.

As you probably know, children become very excited during the holidays. In our kindergarten, we integrate many math and language arts lessons into holiday related activities. This continues the learning process while providing an outlet for the children's energy and excitement. In order to be respectful of all our families, please let me know if there are specific wishes from any of you regarding upcoming holidays you may or may not observe in your households.

Sincerely,

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Trip To The Booth & Dimock Library

Our trip to the Booth & Dimock Library is scheduled for Monday, November 17th.

Chaperones include Wendy D'Agostino, April Gustafson, Joanne McHugo and Marth Zapor for the morning class. We leave school at 9:15 and return by 10:45.

Afternoon chaperones are Cindy Chmielowiec, Gael Goshdigian, Nancy Rychling, Margie Stickles and Anna Wojnilo for the afternoon class. We will leave school at 1:15 and return by 2:45.