

News You Can Use for Room 372

September 14, 2017

Reminders:

All library books may be kept at home for up to a week. Please return the items ON OR BEFORE Monday each week. Also, please remember to use the plastic protector bag your child was given.

Please look for the kindergarten learning goals inside the plastic on the back cover on the folder. You can either remove it and keep it home while working on it, or leave it in there. When you are ready to return it, sign it, have your student sign it, and put it INSIDE the folder for me to see. I will keep adding weekly goals. I try to do this each Monday.

Important Dates Include...

September 15 – Stocker Spirit Day/ATTENDANCE DAY
September 18 – P.M. Substitute Teachers for K Team
September 19–SMILE! Picture Day–return \$\$ envelope
September 21–Tornado Drill
September 22–Wear FALL COLORS to School Day
September 22nd – Action Territory Night with PTKS
September 29th – Mismatched Socks Day
October 4 – Stocker Night at Culver’s

A Peek at the Week:

This week we met a new AlphaFriend, Andy Apple. We have practiced the short /a/ sound, but students will also need to learn the long vowel sounds (like apron). We started learning to read and write the high-frequency sight word: “I”. You could use the flash cards I sent home to help. As time goes on you may want to sort them into piles: words I know how to read, and words I am learning. You could also sort them according to the number of letters in each word, the first letter of the word, or even other ways. You could use them as models for writing practice, or put them on a ring to practice. You may keep these at home. I don’t need them back. The other blue sheets are also resources you may want to use at home to help with our learning goals.

We have started going to the computer lab. It takes a LONG time to get logged in, using our

8-digit ID numbers as username and password! We will be taking our first computerized assessment soon. I have been conducting individual baseline assessments with students to help set learning goals and track progress.

Help Wanted:

Each student will need a spiral notebook to use in class as a writing journal. Please try to send one in by the 20th. I will provide one for anyone who does not bring one.

I have noticed quite a number of odd, uncomfortable pencil grips students are using. Try to help your child hold pencils, crayons, markers, and scissors correctly to be sure they are developing good habits.

We need napkins for snack time! If you could send in a package when it is your child’s next “special day” we would appreciate it. We use them everyday. Please be mindful of food choices for snack time; you received a letter with many appropriate suggestions. We currently have 26 students in our class. I save leftovers for days when we don’t have a snack (someone is absent, forgot or just didn’t bring anything). Also, please help your child choose something to bring for Show-n-Tell on their snack day. If they are shy or have a hard time thinking of something to say, perhaps practice with them at home first so they have some ideas of what they could talk about! Some items are more interesting choices than others!!

As always, if you have a question or comment, please email me at jweber@kusd.edu or send a note in the blue folder.

THANK YOU! Our year is off to a great start!