

In the weekly newsletters, you may see that we are introducing new words, fables, bit cards or manners. I just wanted to let you know what I am discussing with the children so you can enhance it at home...

Expressive Vocabulary: Throughout the year new words will be introduced to the children to expand their vocabulary. We will go over these words weekly and try to use them in sentences.

Fables: There are many lessons to be learned with fables. We will read the fable, have a discussion and learn the moral of the story. This is a great comprehension skill.

Manners: We plan on having the most well-mannered children this year. Manners are so important to have and use. We will try daily to use our manners and role play how to use good manners as well. This skill we hope will last a lifetime.

Bit Cards: Bit cards are thematic sets of 10 cards. The children will see the picture and say the correct word. As they master the picture, we will move on to facts about each picture. This is a very repetitious way of learning fun facts about various things.

Throughout the school year your child may be chosen for Student of the Week, Class Mascot or to bring items in for the Theme Table. Here is more information regarding these activities...

Child of the Week: The children are chosen randomly to be the special STAR student of the week. We will send home a list of what you and your child need to do for their special week. When we receive the materials and information requested, it will be displayed on a board for all to see.

Class Mascot: Your child will be chosen randomly to bring home their homerooms mascot for the weekend. Do not worry, we always give the mascot a bath before going to the next house. Along with the mascot will be a bag with a book or two and journal and/or questions to be filled out by the parent. We ask that you take some time to fill out what the mascot and child did for the weekend.

Theme Table: Each week we will teach the children a different topic or theme. Your child can bring in something that relates to the topic/theme that we are on. Whatever is brought in will be displayed on the theme table. Please put your child's name on anything that they bring in.