

The Kindergarten News
for Week 10 October 22nd-26th , 2018
and Week 11 October 29th-November 2nd , 2018

Theme- Earth/Halloween

Expressive Vocabulary-

Skeptical- having or showing doubt or disbelief

Temporary- lasting or used for a short time only

Unwieldy: difficult to carry or handle because of shape or size

Versatile: able to do many different things well

Student of the Week/Class Mascot- 10/22 Alivia and 10/29 Noah

Word wall words- week 10- **up, to, bad, bat, cat**

week 11- **dad, had, did, dig, get**

Manners- Do not point at people/Pick up after yourself

Fable- The Boy Who Cried Wolf

Introductions- week 10 letters: Ss and Tt

week 11 letters: Uu and Vv

Author Study- Marc Brown

Language Arts: A spooky opposite's paper and a pumpkin rhyming page will keep us reviewing our skills. The concepts of in/out, happy/sad, empty/full, and many/few will be reviewed as we practice more opposites. Look in your child's folder for an envelope of letters. These are from the back of our phonics workbooks. Please encourage your child to practice letter recognition, phonetic sounds and word building skills. The week of 10/22 we will learn the letters Ss and Tt and the week of 10/29 we will learn the letters Uu and Vv. In addition to our letters, we will continue working with shapes and colors. During class, we will practice drawing shapes to match the picture given. We will also make a cute clown from the shapes we are learning and a scarecrow with our colors. Here is a cute song to go along with the season:

Scarecrow scarecrow turn around
Pick the leaves up off the ground.
Scarecrow scarecrow tap your knees,
Shoo those blackbirds 1,2,3
Scarecrow scarecrow flex your arms,
You need muscles on the farm
Scarecrow scarecrow have a seat,
Fold your hands crisscross your feet
Scarecrow scarecrow close your eyes.
Sleep till morning sun does rise.

Math: The boys and girls are enjoying working on simple addition problems. Ordinal number activities will be completed as we color shapes to reinforce this skill. We will continue to practice counting by 5's and 10's. We will also be printing our numbers and matching the number words to the number.

Science: Our topic this week will be the earth and rocks. We will learn all about the earth and its place next to the sun. Gravity will also be introduced and the boys and girls

will look at different rocks and complete their very own rock report. Our experiment this week will be an erupting volcano. The children really enjoy helping with this experiment. We have many fun pumpkin activities planned that include measuring how round our pumpkin is, carving the pumpkin, and then estimating how many seeds there are. We will use our five senses as we taste the pumpkin seeds, once they are cooked of course!!

Social Studies: A partner leaf exploration activity will get the students working as a team to compare and contrast different leaves by color, shape, size and roughness. Please continue to practice with your child their phone number, address and tying their shoes. The states we are learning this week are Illinois and Indiana.

Art: Halloween crafts

NOTES TO PARENTS:

*HALLOWEEN PARTY ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31TH. YOUR CHILD CAN COME DRESSED IN COSTUME AND BRING A CHANGE OF CLOTHES IF THEY STAY FOR LUNCH. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PASS OUT SOMETHING TO THE CLASS, WE HAVE 13 CHILDREN. PLEASE KEEP OUR FOOD AND NUTRITION POLICY IN MIND.

* PICTURE DAY FOR KINDERGARTEN IS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST.

*WITH WEATHER CHANGING, PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD HAS EVERYTHING NEEDED FOR OUTSIDE PLAY, AS WELL AS A WINTER CHANGE OF CLOTHES TO KEEP IN THEIR CUBBIES. WE CONTINUE TO GO OUTSIDE DAILY AS LONG AS THE TEMPERATURE IS ABOVE 20 DEGREES.

*PLEASE REMIND YOUR CHILD TO WASH THEIR HANDS UPON ENTERING THE BUILDING.

*REMINDER TO PRACTICE WORD WALL WORDS AND GUIDED READING BOOKS EVERYNIGHT. PLEASE REMEMBER TO KEEP THE GUIDED READING BOOK BAG IN YOUR CHILD'S GREEN FOLDER OR BACKPACK FOR READING AT SCHOOL AND HOME EACH DAY.

*SATURDAY IS THE LAST DAY TO VISIT THE HICKORY HILLS VILLAGE HALL AND VOTE FOR # 47 "SUPER PETE" SCARECROW!