



Weeks 24 and 25: January 29- February 9, 2024 Ms. Tara

# Kindergarten Newsletter

### Theme: Jungle

\*Bring in a toy jungle animal!

### Student of the Week: Brooklynn

### **Expressive Vocabulary:**

- Quirk-a peculiar trait or mannerism
- Random- made or done by chance
- Solution- the act, process, or method of finding an answer to the problem
- Thorough- leaving nothing out, careful, complete

### Introductions:

- Money- penny, nickel, dime, and quarter. We will also learn that 5 dimes are the same as 2 quarters.
- Fable- Jupiter and the Tortoise
- Manners- Be considerate if someone is sick

Language Arts: We will be writing in our journals over the next two weeks about animals. When journal writing, we focus on proper letter formation, capital letters, finger spacing between words, and punctuation at the end of a sentence. Practice with vowel sounds, letter blends, and sight words will be our other activities. Lastly, Jungle memory, Jungle charades, and Barrell of Monkeys will be played, as the children learn to identify lions, tigers, giraffes, elephants, and monkeys.

**Math:** Our focus will be on money, and the children will review the names of our coins, and the value each coin is worth.

Students will also practice patterning with coins by rubbing with crayons.

# We will enjoy this song (sung to Are you sleeping?)

Penny penny. Penny penny. Worth one cent. Worth one cent. Nickels are worth five. Nickels are worth five. Dimes are ten. Dimes are ten. Quarter quarter. Quarter quarter. Twenty-five. Twenty-five. That's what they are worth, that's what they are worth. Let's count coins. Let's count coins.

### Science:

These next 2 weeks, we will learn about animals. We will study how different animals can be born alive, or hatched from an egg. Also, we will discuss how each animal moves in their own way. Some hop, crawl, swim, fly, or gallop. We will explore a large variety of animals and identify how and why they are different.

### Social Studies:

We will discuss and do activities on George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

### SPELLING WORDS

- Jean
- mean
- team
- meat
- neat
- seal
- meal
- seam
- bead
- bean

## Notes to Parents:

- Monday, January 15...Registration for the 2024-25 school year and summer camp 2024 opens to registered families. Forms and information on fees will be available the first week in January. These will also be sent home.
- Please remember, every child must re-register for future sessions.
- You will receive half off the fall registration fee, if your forms are in by 2/14.
- We will begin to schedule parent teacher conferences on February 1. These will be scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, February 19 and 20. There will be no preschool (9-12) or (9-2:30) classes these days for the younger classes. ALL KINDERGARTEN CLASSES/SCHEDULES RESUME ON TUESDAY.
- Friday, 2/9....A dentist will come to discuss healthy teeth!
- Valentine's Parties on Tuesday and Wednesday, 2/13 and 2/14. If you choose to bring a treat, please keep our nutrition policy of no sugars, additives, and preservatives in mind. BRING YOUR DECORATED BOX to collect your treats on these days. There are 10 in class.
- Have you enrolled for Tuition Express online payments? Many have found this convenient, but we still of course, accept check and cash payments.
- Have you enrolled for Remind Messaging? Text the message @homergle to the number 81010