

K4B January 20th Newsletter

This Week's Activities



Math: This we identified a new coin, the dime and learned the value of the dime. We began to count by 10's and did some practice dot to dot pictures counting by 10's. We continued to learn how to use geoboards to make lines and shapes. We continue to practice telling time, to create and identify the AB and ABB patterns, and to recognize and to write the numbers 0-10.

Social Studies: Scholars learned about communities. Communities are where people live, play and work (go to school). Scholars are identifying people who work in the community and help us. They are called community helpers. Over the next three weeks we will learn about community helpers. This week scholars learned about Dr.'s (Dentists, Eye Dr., and pediatrician) and nurses.

Science: The scholars explored water using different containers. They identified that water takes the shape of the container it is poured into. They also learned that if they fill the container full it will overflow. Another fun thing was that some of the containers had holes and the water did not fill the container.

Reading: Our reading goal was to help scholars engage in group reading activities by using the poem **Five Little Snowflakes**. We are using this poem in many ways. One way is to identify how a poem is different from a book. Another is to identify that letters together spell words, words and spaces make sentences and that sentences contain punctuation. We are also practicing how to use our reading finger to read each word. There are two parts to this poem, one helps with addition and one helps with subtraction. Both include the sight words one, two and three. I sent home the poems for you to do as part of the homework activities or just as an additional activity!

Reading/Language/Writing/Art: Scholars practiced reading and writing the letters C and D, identified words that began with C and D and worked on their dictionary page.

Blue Star Scholars

We were fortunate to have one blue star scholar this week. Congratulations to Gracelyn for already earning 8 blue dots for blue star behavior! Gracelyn was able to bring in a show and tell item to share with the class. This is a great time to reward behavior and to learn how to ask questions. It is a win win for the entire classroom!

Papers coming home this week

***Letter picture sheets- This week the letters were C and D.** Your scholar is asked to circle pictures that begin with the letter. Your scholar will receive an S if they circled the correct pictures and can identify the pictures. They will receive a S/P if they continued to search out the correct pictures and get them all correct. If your scholar circles a picture that does not begin with the letter it will be X'd out and they will receive a P for progressing. If your scholar circles a correct picture but cannot name the picture I will write the word as a cue that they did not "read" the picture. (They may have remembered us discussing the picture earlier or copied from another's paper)-your scholar will receive a P for progressing. If your scholar gives a picture a different name-example calls an acorn a coconut, I will respect their "reading" of the picture. The goal is to hear the letter sound in the picture reading. Please consider using these picture sheets to review the pictures and the initial sound each picture begins with.

***Scholastic Magazine-** Can You Smile Like a Crocodile? –fit in perfect with our discussion of the dentist!

***Five Little Snowflake poems**

***Religion:** Samuel coloring page and Lesson 13 from Alleu.

Have a wonderful weekend! Mrs. Bauer