



# Kindergarten News

## October 14th, 2011



This is the first week I will be trying to send the newsletter via email. Please let me know if the newsletter is not working for you. I also might be periodically sending updates via email for things that come up during the week.

### Fun Facts for Home

This list is of extra things you can work on at home to help your child continue to grow!



- Put a few items in a hat or bag and have your child pull one out. Ask them to think of three things that rhyme with that item.
- Count groups of items up to 30 by ones, fives and tens.
- Have your child teach you the days of the week song.

### Magical Letter Can

On Fridays I will send home the Magical Letter Can. When it is sent home with your child they will have the opportunity to find 3 to 5 items that start with the letter we will be studying the following week. They will place their secret items in the can and then write a clue for each item on the sheet provided. Please help them practice their clues before they present. The can will be due the next Tuesday. The Magical Letter Can will then be presented during language arts.

### Reminders and News...

- See Mrs. Hoolsema's newsletter for information regarding the field trip.
  - NO SCHOOL Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.
  - Items we would love for the classroom: Halloween stickers, snack size ziploc bags, and old puzzle pieces.
- If you would like a behavior update sent home every week please let us know by sending a note, email, or a phone call.

#### Upcoming Dates

October 17<sup>th</sup> - Field Trip to Steffens Orchards

October 21<sup>st</sup> - NO School Diocesan In-service day

October 31<sup>st</sup> - Halloween Parties

November 4<sup>th</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> quarter ends

### Superstar Skills

#### Week of Oct. 10-14th

**Religion:** We finished up Chapter 3 in our religion books. We began learning about the rosary and the prayers associated with the rosary. During mass we talked about being a part of God's kingdom and how it is everywhere.

**Language Arts:** We continued working with the VOWAC curriculum. The letter of the week was Ff. We talked about beginning sounds and assessed students at the end of the week on the skills we have worked on thus far. We also did some word work with our letters we have learned. We wrote with shaving cream and made a fire safety mini book. We also introduced the concept of rhyming. We did a few fun rhyming activities on the smart board.

**Science:** Since it is Fire safety month we did a science experiment regarding oxygen and flames. Ask your student facts about fire safety and what we learned from the jar being placed over the flame.

**Math:** We celebrated our 30<sup>th</sup> day this week and zero the hero visited. This week we worked on counting with one-to-one correspondence. We played games on the smart board with fun Halloween themes.

**Art:** We collected leaves outside and made a leaf man talking about the different kinds of leaves and how to use descriptive words to describe it

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