

The Kindergarten Family Mailer



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September 14-18, 2020: Kickin' It In Kindergarten! 😊

SAFETY FIRST



**PLEASE
WEAR MASKS
THANK YOU!**

If you are on school property, you **MUST** wear a face covering at all times and be socially distant.



Please follow all crosswalks for safety during drop-off and dismissal. They have been freshly painted and need to be used by all families.

- PE is on Monday and Thursday. Please send your child to school in his/her PE uniform on this day. Socks must be either white or black, but cannot have designs or other colors on them, and must be either a crew or a fold down sock (no ankle socks).
- Sweatshirts may only be worn on PE days. Otherwise, a school sweater is needed for in the classroom.
- If your child is going home with another student who is not a part of your regular carpool, please send in a note. Thank you!

This Week, Kindergarten...



Kindergarten has had two fire, one dangerous weather and one earthquake drill since the start of school the purpose of all of these drills in school is to ensure that everyone knows how to exit as safely and quickly as possible. Also to familiarize the children with the sound of the fire alarm.

Phonics: Vowels, consonants and letters, oh my!

LESSONS 9-12 (+skills from 1-8)

compound words

Gg

"g" as in "g"oat

matching uppercase/lowercase

writing/recognizing Gg

blending sounds to read words

the short vowel rule- (when a vowel is followed by a consonant, we code the vowel short, with a breve)

reading: log

rhyming words

assessment #1

LESSONS 13-16

Hh

"h" as in "h"at

compound words

initial (beginning sounds)

blending h-o-g

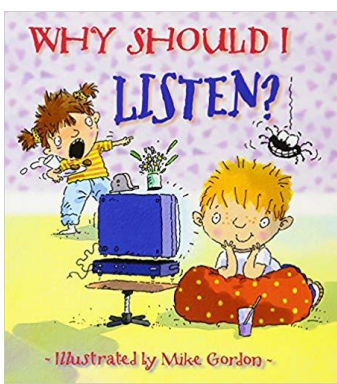
FIND THE VOWEL-IS THE VOWEL FOLLOWED BY A CONSONANT?-YES-CODE THE VOWEL WITH A BREVE FOR A SHORT SOUND

matching same words

matching uppercase/ lowercase

matching pictures to words

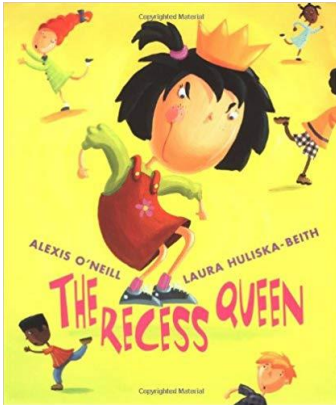
Assessment #2



Language Arts:

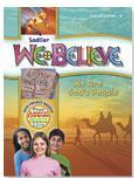
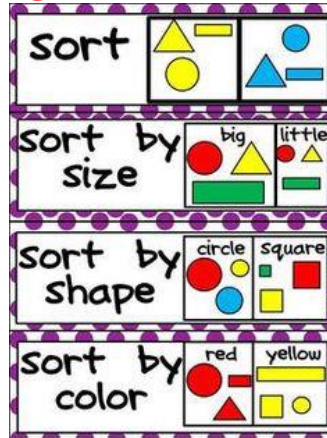
Books we have read together

When children are caught up by the excitement of the moment, they sometimes forget to listen—and the result might be an accident or an avoidable mistake. This book helps them understand the importance of listening to parents and teachers.



The Recess Queen is an adorable story about how mean Jean rules the playground by bullying kids. She must do everything first and the other kids obey and try to stay out of her way. The authors tell about the Queen in fun rhyming poetic form, "she'd push 'em and smooch 'em, lollapaloosh 'em." Luckily the bullying situation is resolved because of one strong-willed, kind youngster named Katie Sue.

Math: Completed chapter 1 Sorting



Religion: Wrapped-up Unit 1: God Gives Us Many Gifts

Teaching Kids the Joy of Giving, and our beautiful children have embraced this concept with open arms!



I heard about the poor widow's offering (Luke 21:1-3) a hundred times growing-up.

According to Deborah Spaide, author of Teaching Your Kids to Care: How to Discover and Develop the Spirit of Charity in Your Children, the most empowering giving practices for kids involve the concrete. She says simply accumulating coins is less satisfying because "it requires too much abstraction for kids to imagine the money turning into biscuits for hungry children."

You know your kids are watching – so start involving them in your kindness and teach them to be cheerful givers.

Beginning Unit 2 God Is Our Creator

The Golden Rule speaks to the best in all of us - generosity, goodwill, peace, love, hope, and kindness - for it is these things we all wish for ourselves as well. Helping children adopt a mindset with this perspective begins by teaching them this rule.



Music: Mrs. Wells Ask your children about the fun they have been having!

Spanish with Senora Seay we continue to learn greetings; hello, “Hola!” “Buenos días” - Good day; Buenas Tardes - Good afternoon/evening is; Buenas noches - good night. Siéntense = sit down) and párense = stand up. Color words: **azul** — blue, **blanco** — white, **negro** — black, **rojo** — red, **rosado** — pink, **verde** — green, **naranja** — orange, **amarillo** — yellow, **anaranjado** — orange.

Art with Mrs. Hess: The skills involving the safe and creative use of scissors, including: Knowing how to hold a pair of scissors properly with their hands and fingers.

Being able to open and close the scissors using one hand

Being able to cut a variety of different types of materials

Knowing how to carry scissors safely from one location to another

How You Can Help

Provide your child with many different types of materials to practice cutting.

Some of the materials you may set out with a pair of scissors include: Play-Doh, paper, newspaper, magazines, cards, ribbon, lace, fabric, straws, grass, and other interesting materials. You want to keep the development of fine-motor skills interesting and open-ended so your child's focus stays on investigating the process rather than always getting it right.

As your child becomes more proficient at managing and manipulating the scissors, you may want to provide paper with lines for your child to try to cut along. Don't rush into structuring your child's cutting experiences and mastery. Allow ample time for him to build his cutting skills so that he will feel competent and confident in the cutting process.

Encore Class Schedule for Kindergarten Reminder

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Health & PE	Music	Art	Spanish	Virtual Mass, beginning at the end of October
		Library	PE & Health	



Below is the evite to Kindergarten's Google Classroom. Your child's password was sent home earlier on the inside flap of their Boomerang Folder. This classroom was created as a "just in case." Cross your fingers that it is not needed for use as a primary teaching platform!

<https://classroom.google.com/c/MTYzNjQ0MjQ4OTU4?cjc=h3wsovy>

Thank you all for your chalk donations! As you can see in the pictures, the kids enjoy drawing on the pavement!



Daily Prayers



Every day we say prayers in the morning and afternoon. The children are still learning them and would benefit from reinforcement from home.

Please practice the sign of the cross with the children, too. The kiddo's love watching and following "Bernie Bear."

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=84MDOU0Ttos>

Classroom Rules

I can listen to the teacher

I can follow directions

I can wait for my turn

I can treat others with respect

- I can use my inside voice (6 inch voice)**
- I can raise my hand to speak**
- I can to my best work**
- I can make good choices (Stop. Think. Decide.)**
- I can stay in my seat/area and sit quietly**
- I can share the materials**
- I can put my materials back in place and clean-up my area**
- I can play safely outside**
- I can stand up against bullying**
- I can walk quietly in line and stay in my place**



Chuckles and Heart Warmers:

One of the children was reading a book from our class library about fathers and looked-up at me and said, 'My mom still has her father!' I said 'That's good,' and she responded with, 'Yep, he's in a vase in the living room!'" 😊

Ms. Chien was overheard saying, “No, it’s not an eye mask and NO, you are NOT a pirate!”



While using the bathroom one of our little loves accidentally dropped their face mask into the toilet. They fished it out, and brought it to one of the teachers... Things that could only happen in Kindergarten!



Flash the Leopard Gecko FUN FACTS:

Unlike most geckos, all species in the genus *Eublepharidae* have moveable eyelids.

Leopard geckos cannot climb up smooth surfaces because they do not have toe pads like most geckos.

Leopard geckos shed their skin to prevent their scent from being detected.

Quote to live by:

NOT ONCE DOES
THE BIBLE SAY,
"WORRY ABOUT IT,"
"STRESS OVER IT,"
OR, "FIGURE IT OUT."
BUT OVER AND OVER
IT CLEARLY SAYS, "TRUST GOD."