

Kindergarten Newsflash  
January 22, 2010



***"The most beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you." B.B. King***

Dear Kindergarten Families,

Thankfully, the weather has been cooperating and we have been able to go outside! It's great to see the students run and play! With our work load increasing, they deserve to re-energize outdoors.

This week in academics: Reading: cause and effect Phonics: skill review Oral Language: following directions Writing: Questions marks Creative Writing: winter words Math: Chapter 8 *Using Numbers 0-12* -recognize and represent numbers 0-12 in different arrangements, order numbers 1-12, recognize examples of 0-12 and sort and classify by number. Religion/Social Studies: How to be Good Neighbors and Share God's Love

The kindergartners are going to sponsor a school-wide community service project. This project is through CAPE CARES for Honduras. Honduras is a small country about the size of Ohio that has a population of six million, mostly rural. Family incomes do not cover food costs. This is one of the poorest countries in the Western Hemisphere. There is only one dentist per 26,000 people! So, with Dental Awareness Month coming up in February, this is a great time to collect new toothbrushes for the people of this country. We will ask each student to bring in one new toothbrush. Community projects such as this integrate contents such as social studies and religion. It is also a cause that will help the kindergartners think more globally and learn about another country. Other schools in town are also participating in this program.

Housekeeping:

- Monday is a dress down day for a \$2 donation for Haiti sponsored by the Student Government.

- Our class will be sponsoring a toothbrush collection for Honduras from Monday January, 25 to Friday, February 5.
- We are looking for four volunteers to help with kindergarten computers on Friday afternoons from 1:25 until 2:00. It is to help get the students signed-onto their computer and assist in navigating them to the site they will be working on. We ask that if you do come into volunteer that your child understands that you are there to not only help him/her, but the other students as well.
- We are still in need of empty, cleaned 2 liter soda bottles for our upcoming penguin project.
- Next Friday we will have lunch in the classroom as the lunch room will be set up for the Father/Daughter Dance. There will be no snack or lunch purchases that day, only the pre-ordered lunches will be served.
- Next week report cards will be sent home.

Many blessings for a wonderful weekend!

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