

January - CES Kindergarten Newsletter



Monthly Goals

- ★ I can recognize and name letters/sounds (Jolly Phonics program)
- ★ I can share my 'All about Me' & 'All About my Name' projects
- ★ I can count, recognize, subitize, and make sets of numerals 1 to 10
- ★ I can sequence the events of a story (correct order)

Literacy - We will be sharing Winter stories to practice retelling and sequencing of events in a story. The Mitten story will be our main focus to have the students retell a familiar story.

The Jolly Phonics program will continue. Thanks for helping your child practice letters and their sounds at home. We're noticing the progress! Please remember to utilize our online home reading program - RAZ Kids.

Numeracy - Our focus will be to work on recognizing, building, drawing, and printing numbers from 0 to 10. The kids will continue subitizing numbers 1-5 and will move towards 6-10. Subitizing means being able to recognize numbers at a glance without counting. Kids can practice this with dice or playing cards. A recommended App is: dominoes easy match (free). Playing games like Snakes & Ladders, Crazy 8's, Uno, War, and Dominoes are also great ideas!

Science - The concept of Sink & Float will be explored. An experiment will be demonstrated with the class and students will record the findings in their journals.

Social Studies - We're continuing on with our 'Me' Unit with the sharing of the 'All About Me' quilt piece and 'All About My Name' projects.

A sheet of construction paper and a separate note with details on these at home projects was sent home prior to the Christmas break. These are now due by January 12th & 13th.

Reminders...

- Please double check that your child has a change of clothes in their backpack or locker for unexpected accidents or if they end up wet and cold after recess.
- Check in with your child to make sure that their indoor shoes are still fitting his/her feet.
- Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather with the expectation that they will be out for two recesses. This includes being able to dress themselves.
PLEASE LABEL ALL OF YOUR CHILD'S BELONGINGS with your child's name. Thank you!
- Students will not go outside for recess when temperatures reach -22C.
- Bus students - If your child will not be going home after school on the bus, you must phone both the bus driver and our school office prior to 2:30pm to let them know. (Teachers don't always get a chance to check email during the school day). Bus students leave earlier than town students and begin getting ready to go around 2:45 pm. Buses leave at 2:55 pm. Thanks for your cooperation!
- Remember to check our CES website for information like, hot lunch ordering, special events, calendars, newsletters, weather policy, etc. Thanks! Our google classrooms also have Daily News to keep you informed.

THANK YOU!

- A HUGE thank you for your generosity at Christmas time. Your cards and gifts of crafts, treats, mugs, teas, gift cards, ornaments, etc. were all greatly appreciated! We are extremely touched by

your thoughtfulness. You spoiled us!

- Thank you so much for ordering from the Scholastic book flyers. The bonus points we receive from your orders go towards getting free books and resources for our classrooms.

Report Cards

Report cards will be sent home at the beginning of February. Thank you, in advance, for taking the time to read through your child's report card and talking to your child about his/her progress so far. We do explain how report cards work to our students and want them to understand that everyone has strengths and skills to keep working on. No one is perfect! If you have questions or concerns about your child's report card, please contact your child's teacher and she will find a time to connect with you.

Upcoming Events:

- **January 9th** - Return to school
- **January 10th** - Wear a sports jersey/shirt to celebrate Mr. Goutsis' birthday!
- **January 12th & 13th** - All About Me quilt piece & All About My Name projects due (see notes that were sent home with construction paper in a ziploc bag-please return projects in the bag provided)
- **January 13th** - M/W classes attend
- **January 20th** - T/Th classes attend
- **January 25th & 26th** - Hot lunch from Burger Baron (must preorder)
- **January 26th** - Beat the Brrrrrr! Wear summer clothes to beat the winter blues!
- **January 27th** - M/W classes attend
- **Monday, January 30th** - No School- (Organizational Day)