

Miss Ivie's Kindy News

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This Week:

- *Writing names
- *Writing lunch number
- *Pattern Art
- *Math
 - *Comparing numbers thru 10
 - *Comparing numbers to 5
 - *Comparing numbers to 10
 - *1 Fewer
- *Letters and Sounds: f, g, h, l, j
- *Words: l, A

Next Week:

- *Writing names
- *Writing lunch number
- *Pattern Art
- *Math
 - * 2 More
 - *2 Fewer
 - *Ordering numbers through 10
 - *Ordering Numbers on a number line
- *Letters and Sounds: k, l, m, n, o
- *Words: l, A, the

Students will need all of their winter gear (warm coat, snow pants, boots, gloves, hat) every day.

Calendar of Events

Oct. 18 End of 1st Quarter -Students dismissed at 2:00

This week we have continued using a director draw approach during journal time. Where students copy what I draw on the board step by step. We then label our picture using kid writing (writing the sounds we hear). The goal is for students to learn how to label their own pictures. Pretty soon, journal time will be independent with students being given a theme and then drawing their own pictures and writing about it with help given as needed.

Learning Goals/I Can Statements:

- I can use objects to tell what number is greater or less.
- I can tell if a number is greater or less than 5.
- I can tell if a number is greater or less than 10.
- Word Segmentation
- Match sounds to letters
- Write uppercase and lowercase letters independently.
- Listen and respond to a story
- Discuss book parts and the information provided

We are continuing to work on writing our names. We will be working on our letter formation and sizing. I have the students learn to write their full first name, even if they have a nickname or variation of their name that they go by. Later in the year they will be able to write their preferred name.

I have a "Knock Your Socks Off" board in my classroom. The goal for the first semester will be to recognize all 26 lowercase letters in random order or name their sounds. Students that meet their goal will get to pick a pair of socks off the board to keep forever. I will be sending home the goal your child is working towards in the next couple of weeks. The second semester students will have a new goal that includes sounds and sight words.

Friday, October 18th is the end of the first quarter and an early dismissal day. Students will be dismissed at 2:00.

Please start working with your child to learn their name, address, phone number and birthday. This information is for emergency purposes and can be very helpful. Students that are able to recite their name, address, phone number and birthday will get to choose a prize from the treasure box.

We are putting together a silent auction basket that will be available during the fall festival for individuals to bid on. The theme for our basket is "Garage Bucket". I am looking for items like duct tape, screw drivers, wrenches, WD 40, level, hammer, allen wrenches, socket wrenches, Lowe's/Home Depot gift card, etc. that I can include in this basket. Funds raised from this basket will go towards special projects in our classroom.

If your child has any sport games, recitals, programs, events they participate in, please let me know when these things are happening by emailing, calling or you can fill out the invitation form that went home last week. I would love to come watch and support them in these activities. I cannot guarantee that I would be able to attend all of them but will do my best. It is always fun to see the students in their own elements and in a different setting than school and they like seeing their teacher outside of school as well.

We are working on tying our shoes, zipping our coats by ourselves and memorizing our lunch number. Students that can do these three things by Nov. 26th will be invited to a pizza party. Please start working on these at home.

Parent Teacher Conferences are on Thursday, October 31st and Friday, November 1st. Many of you signed up for conference times at the back to school social.

For a special art project in October, we are in need of 1-gallon milk jugs. Please rinse these out and do not crush them. You can send them to school anytime. I will let you know when we have enough for our project. Once we have them, I will be looking for some volunteers that will be able to cut an opening in them for us. Please let me know if you would be willing to do this.

One of the on-line literacy programs we have been using to help reinforce skills and give students extra practice is called SmartyAnts. Students are able to access this from home at the following website
<https://play.smartyants.com/login>

The username is: kim.ivie@k12northstar.org
Password: S# (the student's id number without the s).

I am able to log in and see what the students have done and what areas they still need help in to help direct instruction in the classroom.

I am collecting plastic lids from water bottles, soda bottles, Gatorade/Powerade/sports juice bottles, McDonald Milk lids, etc for a variety of activity and games throughout the year.

