

Memos from Mrs. Martin
August 27-August 31



What We're Learning!

This week we are continuing to learn classroom routines and expectations.

Language Arts

We have started choosing our "Friends of the Day." Two students are chosen each day, until all 24 students have had a chance to be the "Friend of the Day" We discuss the letters in their names, interview the students, cheer for them and draw pictures of them. Each activity focuses on a different skill set ranging from visual, auditory, kinesthetic, and public speaking.

Practicing writing names with one capital and the rest being lowercase letters has been a focus in all subjects.

Math

We have started our new math series but have not gotten very far. It is taking a lot of time learning routines and procedures. This week in math, we will continue counting and writing numbers 0 through 5. We will also discuss numbers being "equal to" by using one-to-one correspondence.

**If you have questions to concerns
please email me at
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Important Dates

- Sept. 3rd – Labor Day – No School
- Sept. 5th – PTA meeting 6:00 p.m
- Sept. 7th – Book Orders due
- Sept. 15th – Blue Jay Bash
- Sept. 21st – Fall picture day
- Oct. 1- 5th Homecoming Spirit week
- Oct. 11-12th – Fall Break – No School
- Oct. 25-26th – Parent Teacher Conferences.



Hot Topics

- Your students are giving me their ALL at school and I bet they are exhausted when you get them home. It will take some time to transition to our busy days. Give them a few weeks to get used to our routines. I know they probably go to bed early but I probably end up going to bed before my students 😊
- Lunch has been going well. Each day the line moves a little faster and the confidence levels are growing!!!! **AFTER** Labor Day you are welcome to come eat lunch with your Kindergartener. You may sit at the long tables with your child. Our lunch time is 10:55-11:25 a.m.
- Homework will begin after Labor Day. As I mentioned in our parent meeting, our math homework is optional. Because our schedule is so fluid, I will send then entire math homework package home next week. It will cover skills from the chapter that may be seen on the test. You DO NOT need to send it back and it can be completed in your own time, if you choose to have your child work on it. I will notify you when the test will be well beforehand.

Things to work on at home

- Writing first name with a capital at the beginning and lowercase letters for the rest of the name.
- Correct pencil grip.



- Please encourage your child to do his/ her best work. I see several people working at a fast pace just to see who can finish first or so they can visit with a friend. We are learning about having pride in our work.

