

Kindergarten Newsletter

February 2012

Dear Parents,

We have enjoyed our recent study of Oklahoma Winter birds. The children have learned to recognize a cardinal, a blue jay, a black-capped chickadee, a finch, a downy woodpecker, a tufted titmouse, and a junco. We have researched facts about each different bird and have observed them at our feeders. We have had so much fun 'bird watching' that we will continue to feed the birds throughout the winter. This might be an educational family project for you to continue at home as well.

Please ask your child about beginning and ending sounds. You can play games with words and objects. (*What is the beginning sound you hear in **basketball**? What is the ending sound? Tell me a word that ends with the sound /t/.*) You could do this in the car as you are traveling to and from school, practice, etc.

Special Events

Thursday, February 2	100 Day of School Celebration (8:30 -9:30)
Tuesday, February 14	Valentine Party (8:45-10:00)
Friday, February 10	No School (Winter Holiday)
Monday, February 13	No School (Professional Day)

Units of Study

January 30-February 3	Magnets, 100th Day, 2-digit number recognition, Lower case (l,k,y,j), Phoneme blending, segmenting, and deleting
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February 6-10	Magnets, Valentines, Time (1/2 hour), 2-digit number writing, Money (1 cent), Lower case letter review, Phoneme blending, segmenting, and deleting
February 13-17	All American Symbols, Valentines, Time (1/2 hour), Money (5 cents), Lower case (p,r,n,m), Phoneme blending, segmenting, and deleting
February 20-24	All American Presidents, Time (1/2 hour), Money (10 cents), Lower case (h,b,f), Phoneme blending, segmenting, and deleting

Special Notes

To celebrate our 100th day of school, the children will participate in many activities dealing with the quantity of 100. Do you know anyone who is 100 years old? Please let us know. We would love to see a picture and hear about their life!

For our class Valentine's Day party on February 14, each child should bring a signed valentine for each of his or her classmates. **Please do not address them to individual children!** Our second grade reading buddies will join us to read the cards and share our snack.

Spring Conferences Mark your calendars! Our spring conferences will be on the evening of March 1 and all day March 2. Sign-up sheets will be available in the Primary School office.

Thank you,

Kindergarten teachers