



# KINDERGARTEN TEAM NEWS

## MARCH Week of 3/1-3/5

**Parent Info:** This week is READ ACROSS AMERICA. During this week we will read lots of great books in class including some from Dr. Seuss as it is his birthday.

We will be adding to our homework this MONTH. Usually you have one item but I will be adding another for this month only, which is a reading log. This should be filled out by you or the student each night and sent in. We are going to see how many books kindergarten can read by the end of the month. Maybe we will work toward a special fun day if we read a certain amount- I will have the students vote on that number on Monday.

We started a Table Tally the other week. This was to help the noise level in the class during table times. This sort of worked but we will be scrapping that and this week will be starting individual incentives. Each student will have their own cup to collect fuzzies (aka pompoms). At the end of the week we will count the fuzzies and for every 10 fuzzies earned they can pick a prize. They will be able to earn fuzzies for making good choices (sitting on the carpet quietly during a story, playing nicely with others, working independently and paying attention to instructions, etc.). We will see if this works.

I hope the students had fun on Friday celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. They were so excited not to do regular math - it was so funny. It is always better to do math that you can eat.

**This week we will be working on...**

**Reading/Phonics:** We are working on word families. We worked on -at, -op this week we will review these and add -in. We will also be working on Dr. Seuss. Our Dr. Seuss unit will have us writing book reports.

**Math:** We will continue to work on Unit 9. This unit makes quick work of counting and writing 11-20. We will work on this for a bit more.

**Writing:** We are really working hard on writing sentences. We have worked on writing about something we have drawn, writing about a given picture and using our sight words. This week we will continue these and add writing a sentence to answer a question. We have been working on answering a question with a sentence at circle time and the kids are doing GREAT!

**SS/Science:** We will finish up our Solar System unit this week. We will be making an astronaut and talking about the moon and how day and night happen. The students asked to find out about Pluto so we will be doing that as well. I love that they wanted to learn about this little dwarf planet. We will also start talking about St. Patrick's Day.

**Sight Word:**

I am so proud of the students and the amount of sight words that they have learned. We are on list 5 which is words 41-50. After this list we will be doing a review of all the words that we have learned so far. Please be sure to go over all words (list 1-5) during the week so that they continue to know the words (reading and spelling).

