



Kindergarten Newsletter

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Sight Words:

A a I see
the like my
go to and
can am not

Signal Words:

Pollination

Decay

Homework:

Please continue to collect recyclable items. We will ask for them on Friday November 3rd.

Scholastic Book Orders

In the next few weeks your child will be sounding out words. We recommend getting some leveled readers to keep at home.

Class code: PH9YG

This Week: we had a double focus. In science, we practiced being kindergarten scientist as we studied pumpkins. On Monday, we learned about the life cycle of the pumpkin and introduced the words pollination and decay. Ask your child to tell you all about what they know. Later in the week we learned about the pumpkin parts by dissecting different varieties of pumpkins. The kids discovered that despite what they look like on the outside, they all have the same parts inside, much like people. On Thursday, we enjoyed a trip to the pumpkin patch where the kids got to pick a pumpkin straight out of the patch. They saw many pumpkins in their various stages of the lifecycle including decay. When we got back to school we wondered if pumpkins would sink or float, so we did some more scientific investigations...ask your child what we discovered about weather a pumpkin sinks or floats and ask them WHY? Lastly, on Friday, we got to taste a variety of foods made with pumpkins. The kids did a great job of taking a polite bite, even of the pumpkin puree.

Character Development: We focused on Red Ribbon Week and being safe about things you may eat or people you may talk to. We showed them a youtube video called "Stop, Ask First", by the Poison Control. Please review with link I sent on Bloomz and remind them to always STOP and ask an adult before eating something they find or talking to someone they are not sure about. Always STAY SAFE!

Language Arts: Sight words am, not. Please practice these words at home by writing them and looking for them in various books. Encourage your kids to make sentences using their sight words and write them down using spaces between their words. Please encourage your child to practice reading ALL sight word books as they come home in the Friday Folders.

Math: Number writing 0-10, patterns, tens frames, counting by 10's. Next week we will start using our number recognition to practice number sense by learning how to add and manipulate numbers in different ways.

Next week: We will study nocturnal and diurnal animals. We will focus primarily on bats and how they are helpful to our ecosystem.

Tuesday is HALLOWEEN!!! Children are encouraged to come to school dressed in their costume. **NO GORE/BLOOD or WEAPONS**. We will have a TK/K costume parade around the play yard before school begins. We will have a Halloween party from 1:45-2:45, which is being organized by our awesome room parents. All families are welcome to come to hang out and enjoy the party.