



# Kindergarten Newsletter

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Sight Words:

A a I see  
the like my  
go to and  
can am not  
here is come  
with me

Signal Words:

Gravity  
Force  
Motion  
Simple machines

Un Homework:

This months  
UnHomework was  
posted on Bloomz!

Scholastic Book Orders

Now is a great time to  
order books for Christmas.

<https://clubs.scholastic.com>

Class code: PH9YG



**This Week:** we learned about force and motion and how simple machines work. The kids learned about how gravity pulls things down and how using force in different ways affects how they move. We practiced using simple machines such as levers, wheels, pullies and screws. We learned that when you change the incline of a ramp, it will make a car go faster. We ended the week by going on a rollercoaster (YouTube style) and then we created our own rollercoasters using paper, complete with inclines and loop a loops.

**Character Development:** For the remainder of the month, we will continue to work on Responsibility. Please remind your child to be responsible for their items as well as their behavior and choices.

**Language Arts:** We are still working on blending sounds together to write words. Next week we will continue our practice on reading and writing word family words. Word family words are words which share the common ending such as hat, mat, cat,fat etc... Please practice writing "at" words and "op" words at home and looking for these words in books.

**Math:** In math we are working on composing numbers in different ways to get the same sum. For example, you can add 5 and 5 to get 10, but you can also add 2 and 8 to get 10. At home please practice counting up to 30. Many kids will skip a teen number so be sure they are counting slowly enough to hear all the numbers. For an extra practice give your child 30 beans or something small to count one at a time.

**Next week:** We will begin a two week study of holiday celebrations and traditions around the world. While the focus will be on celebrations in December, we will also discuss other celebrations and traditions. The focus will be on how diverse different cultures can be, but also how much they can have in common. Some of our signal words (vocabulary) will be culture, ancestors, diversity, charity. If you have a special holiday or cultural artifact that you would like to share with the class, please let us know. We love having real life realia while learning.

~Mrs. Morris