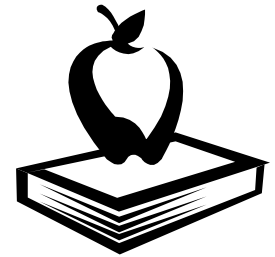




Mrs. Yeazel's Kindergarten Newsletter



10 Things Your Child Did This Week The children were busy this week doing the following:

Week of:
November 10-14,
2008

1. Meeting Alpha Friends, **Sammy Seal** and **Tiggy Tiger**. The children liked singing along to their Alpha songs as well as learning the sounds for /s/ and /t/.
2. Learned and practiced writing letters **Ss** and **Tt** the "school way." This means using the *D'Nealian* handwriting style. (*Handwriting homework for these letters is being sent home for the weekend and will need to be returned on Tuesday.*)
3. Enjoyed "center time" activities. This week the class created a letter wheel to practice matching capital letters with lower case letters; played the math game "**Roll It, Read It, Write It, and Stamp It**"; and cut out different fonts of the letter Tt to glue onto a paper T-shirt.
4. Continued Chapter 4 in Mathematics. The class again focused on reading and writing numbers 6,7, 8,9, and 10. Ordering numbers 0-10 as well as comparing numbers 6-10 was also practiced.
5. Began Theme 4 in Reading. Our new theme: **Friends Together**, will share stories of friendship as well as introduce blending sounds together to make words. Stories this week included: Friends At School, We Read, and Aaron and Gayla's Alphabet Book.
6. The children enjoyed "plugging in" letter sounds and then blending them together to make words! We worked on looking at beginning, middle, and ending sounds. The class read words like; c-a-t, p-a-d, m-a-n, h-a-m, and f-a-t.
7. Learned two songs which will be performed on Thursday, November 20th for the senior citizen breakfast at Unity West. The children will sing **Albuquerque Turkey** and **We Give Thanks**.
8. Practiced using American Sign Language signs for words in our song **We Give Thanks**. Ask your child to show you the signs for these words; food, family, friend, Earth, and Thanksgiving.
9. Learned about Turtles and Tortoises in Science. The class learned the names for the top shell and the bottom shell. They also know turtles are reptiles because they have scales and lay eggs.
10. The children created a turtle hand puppet using a sock and some paper plates. They used their new reptilian friend to act out the poems **My Turtle** and **The Little Turtle**.

Parent Notes

- Next week we will study letters **Uu** and **Vv**.
 - **HELP! Our classroom is in need of wipe off markers. If you could donate a package it would be very much appreciated!!!**
 - Food Drive donations will be collected until Nov. 20th. I am thrilled to report that our box is almost full! *Thank you for your generous donations!!!*
 - Please keep practicing the **sight words flashcards, letters, and sounds with your child.**
- Thanks for reading and working with your Kindergartener,
- Katy*