

Dear Parents,

October 20, 2008

The following are events and topics covered this week:

Monday: math activities: students will review numbers and shapes

language activities: students will listen to the story *Stellaluna;* students journal things she saw in the story **thematic unit:** continue thematic unit on **Fall / Halloween library check out/ music / phy-ed/guidance with Mrs. Drumm**

<u>Tuesday:</u> math activities: students will practice numbers in the teens; play "Teen Partner" game language activities: students will listen to the story *Caps For Sale*; introduce our first Alpha Friend "Mimi Mouse" Mm; students identify words beginning with Mm; create sentences using the sight word I thematic unit: continue thematic unit on Fall / Halloween art / FREE gym class **I am scoring writing samples today. I will be in the building but there will be a sub in the classroom.

Wednesday: math activities: students will create number word stories; focus on the words add, take away, equal...
language activities: read the take home wordless book *Look At Me*; students create their own story with the pictures
phy-ed/music / centers

Thursday:math activities: students will estimate the number of objects in a jar
language activities: listen to the story In the Big Blue Sea; work in Alpha Friend book; introduce the
sight word see; create a sentence with sight words I see...
thematic unit: continue thematic unit on Fall / Halloween; discuss objects that are symmetrical
library/computers

Friday: math activities: assess students on counting and drawing objects 0-9
 language activities: students will listen to the story *Caps For Sale*; focus on compare and contrast this story with the one that was read on Tuesday; students will journal something they see ex: I see a...
 share & care: bring in something having to do with Fall or Halloween art / reading buddies

REMINDERS and LOOKING AHEAD...

*<u>Star of the Week</u>: Our Star of the Week this week is Emily Reif . Please return Emily's Caring Thoughts sheet. *<u>Mid-terms:</u> If your child has not returned the **BLUE ENVELOPE** for your child's mid quarter report, please send it back by this week **Wednesday.** Thank you!

*Luncheon Birthday Party: We will be having our luncheon birthday party this week Wednesday, October 22nd. *Family Literacy Night: We will be having a school wide *Family Literacy Night* this week Thursday,

October 23rd. Please send back the form (that was sent home a couple weeks ago) if you are planning on attending. ***Fall Book Festival:** We will be having our "Halloween Party" the day of the Fall Book Festival. The kids will dress as a book character. The entire school will be marching around to show off their costumes. The parade will be at 8:10 that morning. Please have your child bring the book that goes with his/her costume. If you have questions regarding this please call me. An example of a costume could be "**a spider**" and the student would bring in the book *The Very Busy Spider*.

*Book Talks: The book talk for the month of October is due Wednesday, October 29th. Please encourage your child to do this. If all the students do one a month, we will have an end of the year party!!! ©

*<u>NO SCHOOL</u>: There will be NO SCHOOL on Wednesday & Thursday, October 30th and 31st. Due to Teachers Convention. Enjoy the long weekend! ©

Have a great week, Cari 🞯

