



# Room 104- Kindergarten

Weekly Newsletter - Mrs. Papczun - klulrich-pap@cps.edu  
 Week of February 12-16, 2018

Please understand that I teach children, not subjects, so this may adjust as the week goes!

<p><b>What's happening this week...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ THEME: Be Kind</li> <li>★ LITERACY: phonemic awareness, scientists</li> <li>★ MATH: graphing &amp; number sense</li> <li>★ Black History Month: George Washington Carver</li> <li>★ SOCIAL EMOTIONAL: Calm classroom daily, Second Step lesson on self-talk, feelings</li> <li>★ <b>Students of the week are *SAMUEL* and *THEODORE*!</b></li> </ul> <p><u><i>Please see more things to note on the back.</i></u></p>	<p><b>What's coming up soon...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Tues, February 13- PTO meeting</li> <li>★ Wed, February 14- Be Extra Kind Day in class (see details on back)</li> <li>★ Thur, February 15- 100th Day of School! (letter came home), volunteers needed!</li> <li>★ <b>Mon, February 19- No School</b></li> <li>★ Wed, February 21, 4:30-7:30p- Black History Celebration (see flyer that came home for list of events)</li> <li>★ Fri, February 23- Monthly Birthday celebration</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Wednesdays are Ray Spirit Day! Wear green and any Ray gear!</i></b></p>
<p><b>SIGHT WORDS OF THE WEEK:</b>  <b>love, day, fun</b></p> <p>PAST SIGHT WORDS:        away, by, want, what, with, it, said, come, us, he, she, was, play, go, here, and, are, to, do, all, me, a, is, I, like, can, see, the, big, little, in, up, down, we, have, be, look, at, my, eat, run, as, for, you, am, on, of, they</p>	<p><b>Regular Reminders:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Monday and Friday mornings have the extra teacher prep time</li> <li>● Special teachers dismiss each day at 3:45p</li> <li>● Homework packets go home on Mondays and are returned on Fridays (please don't send them early)</li> <li>● Please clear folders nightly (it's ok to keep the homework packet in there)</li> </ul>
<p><b>What's happened already...</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Our class pet has gone home with one student!</li> <li>● <b>*BROCK* and *OLIVIA* were our students of the week last week! Our classmates shared that Brock is a good friend! Our classmates shared that Olivia likes to help others!</b></li> </ul>	<p><b><i>February Birthdays will be celebrated on Friday, February 23! A letter will go home with students who have February birthdays.</i></b></p>

### More things to note...

#### **VALENTINE'S DAY- Wednesday, February 14**

Some parents have inquired as to how we will celebrate Valentine's Day. We will dub it "**Be Extra Kind Day**" and students MAY bring a small valentine for EVERY student (25) but you do not have to. You may put your child's name on them to say who they are from, but please do not address the "TO" part so that we can ensure everyone has one. *Please do not send any container or mailbox. Please do not send any sweets.* We will decorate paper bags together to collect our "Be Extra Kind" messages as a class. We will find sight words on message hearts as well.

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#### **100th Day of School- Thursday!**

A letter came home- we will spend our morning experiencing centers that are all grounded in 100. Thank you to the three **volunteers- we could use more! If anyone is available, please email me at [klulrich-pap@cps.edu](mailto:klulrich-pap@cps.edu), 9:15a-10:45a, for Thursday, February 15.**

- Remember to wear your 100th Day t-shirt- decorate with whatever 100 things you want!
  - Remember your 100 snacks (think small, we're all bringing snacks!) Please use clean hands and count out with your child 100 crackers or 100 pretzels or... please no candy.
  - If you can donate a package of red solo cups, please let me know.
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#### **Black History Month**

For our Black History Month studies, each week we will choose a Black person in history to learn about, someone who we may not know about. We will read about them, talk about them, and connect their contributions to our lives today.

Andy Carter, our class visitor last week who brought his guitar and shared his music with the children, published a book on George Washington Carver (of that title) that we will use for our studies this week.

We will also invite other students from other classrooms to teach us about the contributions of Black people in history, if they are doing Black History research projects.

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#### **One more day of school...**

As you look ahead- the snow day from Friday will be added onto the end of the year as an instructional day. Thus, the last day of school is now June 19, 2018.

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#### **Parent Volunteer Opportunities**

If any parent is interested in volunteering to support the classroom, I have identified some needs. You can email me at [klulrich-pap@cps.edu](mailto:klulrich-pap@cps.edu) to set up the details. Any efforts are much appreciated!

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