

Weekly Newsletter - Mrs. Papczun - klulrich-pap@cps.edu Week of March 19-23, 2018

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

What's happening this week...

- ★ THEME: Worms★ LITERACY: Phonics★ MATH: Patterns
- ★ SOCIAL EMOTIONAL: Calm classroom 3x/daily, Second Step lesson on acceptance
- ★ Students of the week are *JOHN* and *PAYTON*!

What's coming up soon...

- ★ Tues, March 20- Shedd Aquarium field trip
- ★ Fri, March 23- March birthday celebration
- ★ March 26-30- Spring Break- no school
- ★ Fri, April 13- No school
- ★ Wed, April 18- Report Card Pick Up Day/Conferences, no school for students

Wednesdays are Ray Spirit Day! Wear green and any Ray gear!

SIGHT WORDS OF THE WEEK: blue, green, orange, pink, yellow

PAST SIGHT WORDS:

but, that, will, where, her, his, why, because, so, yes, no, help, love, day, fun, 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

Regular Reminders:

- Monday and Friday mornings have the extra teacher prep time
- Special teachers dismiss each day at 3:45p
- Homework packets go home on Mondays and are returned on Fridays (please don't send them early)
- Please clear folders nightly (it's ok to keep the homework packet in there)

What's happened already...

- We have fish in our aquarium!
- *JOURNEY* was our student of the week last week! Our classmates shared that Journey is fun to play with!

Please see more things to note on the back.

"There are many little ways to enlarge your world. Love of books is the best of all."

Jacqueline Kennedy

More things to note...

Women History Month

Each week, we will learn about a notable woman in history for the month of March. This week we will learn about Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg with the book *I Dissent*. RBG is a Supreme Court Justice who has protested injustices throughout her life. Although the book is above kindergarten level, I hope to plant some seeds regardless.

Progress Reports- none for Kindergarten

There are no progress reports for Kindergarten at this time in the year. I will be giving a 3rd Quarter assessment that covers sight words to date, letters/sounds, counting by 5s, 10s, simple addition and subtraction, and filling in the missing number.

I expect to send these home on Monday or Tuesday. Please note that this is one way to measure your child's academic progress, but progress in kindergarten is much more complex than just these academic markers. It is important that we see progress of some sort (academically and socially), overall enjoyment of school, and a confidence in their learning. Learning is also not always linear.

Report Card Pick Up Day/Parent Conferences

Looking forward, Report Card Pick Up Day is a day of *non-attendance for students*. It is on *Wednesday, April* 18. It is required that you pick up the report card that day at Ray. I will be available 7a-3p. I realize that a kindergarten conversation may take longer than 15 minutes; please schedule a separate time with me if you think you will need longer than the 15-minute slots available that day.

Please watch for a link from SIGN-UP.com to sign up yet this week.

Thank you to those who donated supplies recently!

We could still use some glue sticks for the rest of the year!