



Weekly News from Mrs. Mikalsen's Class October 4, 2019



Language Development & Reading:

~We looked for the Words of the Week: "I" and "to" in our books and poems.

~We practiced reading and singing our "Bear" poems

~We compared the three texts in the It's the Bear series of books and had the opportunity to design our own teddy bears.

~We learned about special writing places. We drew and shared pictures of where we like to write and we got to explore our Writing Center.

~We continued our Foundations Literacy Program.

This week's letters: i~itch~/i/and u~up~/u/. We are learning to match letters with their sounds, write letters on our dry erase slates and attend to stories.

~We began learning how to interact during Literacy Centers. We listened to *The Biggest Apple Ever* at the listening center and drew picture of our favorite part, we created bears using dot paints and we practiced recognizing and writing our word of the week: to.

Books:

~Where's My Teddy

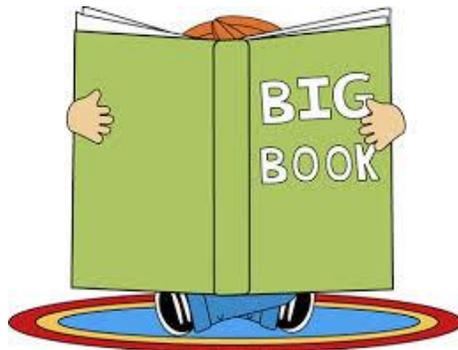
~It's the Bear

~My Friend Bear

Poems/Songs:

~ "Bear Cheer"

~"When You're Feeling Lonely Find a B-E-A-R Bear"



Upcoming Events and Reminders

Week of Respect: October 7-11

During the Week of Respect we encourage children to participate in some district-wide Spirit Activities. Following are suggestions of things to wear:

Monday - Blue Shirt Day

Tuesday - Team Jersey

Wednesday - **No School**

Thursday - Favorite Outfit

Friday - School Colors

(Red and White)

Thursday, 10/10 Barley Sheaf Walk-a-Thon.

Friday, October 18th: PTO Picto Night

Thursday, October 31st: Halloween Parade

Birthdays

Liam 10/16
Gordon 10/26



Math:

~We have are continuing our daily counting routines.
~We continued to practice recognizing numerals and counting out corresponding sets of counters.
~We learned how to compare two number sets and identify them as larger, bigger, most, smaller, least, etc.
~We read Bear Counts and then used magnetic ten frames to model some of the items from the book.
~We had a blast counting with accuracy using Collection Bags.



Social Studies/Science:

~We met another of our special school helpers – Mrs. England (one of our secretaries) and learned about her job at school and how she can help us.
~We went on a BEAR HUNT and we found BARLEY BEAR. After going on a hunt all around the school we found Barley in our classroom reading a book. We LOVE Barley Bear!
~We also learned about bus safety in a special presentation from one of our wonderful bus drivers – and she gave us awesome coloring books.
~We created beautiful name posters, that also helped us explore different types of art materials.

~In Science we learned about different types of weather and focused on observing the sky, recording weather observations, We talked about wind, modeled being trees and enduring breezes and gale force winds. We created pinwheels and had a blast taking them outside and testing them out.



Please Remember to

*Create a Poetry Binder. for your child. Read the poems in the binder with your child at least a couple of times a week.

*Empty your child's Green Folder each evening

Notes:

Thank you to all who came to Open House. The children adored getting your notes this morning. I look forward to seeing you at Parent-Teacher Conferences.

