



Weekly News from Mrs. Mikalsen's Class October 18, 2019



Language Development & Reading:

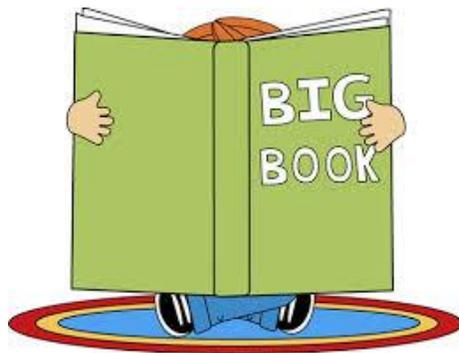
~We looked for the Word of the Week: am in our books and poems.
 ~We wrote about things that we did over the weekend
 ~We hunted for letters and words in our Morning Message.
 ~We practiced identifying initial sounds.
 ~During Literacy Centers we practiced reading and writing color words, listened to *Franklin's Halloween* at the listening center and drew our favorite part, read to ourselves for a sustained length of time, created awesome pumpkins by tracing, cutting and coloring, worked on learning to follow and read emergent texts with one-to-one word correspondence and practiced spelling, writing and reading our new word "am."
 ~We continued our Foundations Literacy Program.
 This week's letters: a~apple~/a/and g~game~/g/. We are learning to match letters with their sounds, write letters on our dry erase slates and attend to stories.

Books:

~Hello Autumn
 ~The Birthday Cake
 ~Fall
 ~Fall Favorites

Poems/Songs:

"I Can Read Colors"



Upcoming Events and Reminders

Friday, October 18th: PTO Picto Night

Wednesday, October 31st: Halloween Parade, 2 PM Parents and family members are encouraged to come and see us in the parade.



Tuesday, November 5th: No School, Election Day & Professional Development

Birthdays

Liam 10/16
Gordon 10/26



Math:

~We practiced counting out larger groups of objects (up to 10).
~We learned how to compare groups of up to ten objects.
~We practiced writing the numbers 4 and 5.
~We continued to count and develop our number sense through our daily routines.
~We used higher order thinking skills to observe, wonder and then analyze a mathematical problem. We had to explain our mathematical reasoning using pictures and words. We shared our results with our classmates. We are brilliant mathematicians.

**Social Studies/Science:**

~We concluded our Weather Unit this week
~We made and observed rain cycle bags.
~We learned about some of the different types of clouds and spent time outside observing them.
~We created a cloud model
~We also continued to learn about Autumn.

***Please Remember to***

*Add the poem "I Can Read Colors" to your child's Poetry Binder. 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.

*Send your child in with a warm coat -- the weather is certainly growing colder.

Notes:

~Thanks to everyone for sending in the classroom supplies. I appreciate your generosity!

~Thanks to everyone who contributed to our PICTO Basket. The PICTO event is always very fun and quite successful -- our PTO is wonderful!

