

Kindergarten Goes Buggy May 16, 2008

Teacher Appreciation Week

After all the thoughtful things you did for us during "Teacher Appreciation Week," we all feel loved and appreciated. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts. YOU ARE ALL WONDERFUL!

"Afternoon of Art"

Saturday, May 17th is the date for our Lower School's Fifth Annual Art Show. Please visit anytime between 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Every student in the Lower School will have a piece of art on display. Family and friends are welcome and refreshments will be served. See you there!

Field Trip to Wannado City

Kindergarten is planning a special end of the year field trip to Wannado City on Monday, June 2nd. All of the parents are invited to join us on this exciting day. If you plan to take your child home from Wannado City, you **MUST** sign out with your child's teacher before leaving. We are looking forward to a wonderful time!

Science

Kindergarten took a fascinating journey into space on their exciting and informative field trip to the Buehler

Planetarium. Students are learning about the solar system. They are distinguishing objects found on Earth and in the sky. Through literature and creative activities, we have introduced the eight planets of the solar system, along with the stars, moon, and stars. Students are using three-dimensional models to discuss specific characteristics of each planet and create a wall mural depicting the solar system.

Math

Students are developing a strong number sense as they use manipulatives to explore place value. Base 10 blocks are used to build numbers and then add and subtract larger numbers. Students are also making place value envelopes to play games and model three and four digit numbers. Hands-on activities encourage a deeper understanding of numbers and the value of zero.

Social Studies

Students are gaining a better understanding of geography and places from a global perspective in Social Studies. They are using directional terms, identifying water and land masses on a globe, and comparing maps and globes.

Fine Arts

Students are starting to work on the final project of the year. They are writing and illustrating a page about what they have learned in Kindergarten. At the end

of the year, students will each get their own class book with all of the responses for a memorable keepsake. Listening to their thoughts, it is amazing to hear the children talking about how much they have learned this year!

Summer Reading Program

The Summer Reading Program packets are already on our USchool website. The Media Center Faculty will explain the program to all children and encourage them to participate in this educational program during the summer. We hope that you will encourage your child to participate. Students will be involved in reading books and completing activities related to the theme! Reading over the summer is a great way to ensure the continuance of your child's reading readiness for First Grade. The children eagerly look forward to the Summer Reading Celebration at the beginning of the school year.

Important Notices

- Reminder....please send lunch, cash. Or lunch coupons each day with your child. Charging lunch is no longer available for the remainder of the school year. In the event that you forget to send lunch, jelly sandwiches are available.
- Failure to pay past lunch charges, tuition, and library fees may result in a "hold" on your child's final

report card and grades. Please check that all accounts are paid in full before the end of the school year.

- You will be receiving, via mail, a coupon for a **free P.E. uniform shirt** from In Unison Uniform Co. One coupon per student will be sent to you in the next week. Please look for this valuable coupon as we cannot replace lost tickets! Contact us at 954-262-4500 if you have recently moved and did not notify us of your address change.
- Mark your calendar! In Unison Uniform Co. will be on site at the Lower School on August 4 from 3-7 pm with a complete line of school clothing. Don't miss this opportunity to purchase uniforms for your child. You can also redeem free P.E. shirt uniform coupons at the on site sales event.
- The front curb of the Lower School building is a "NO PARKING NO STANDING" zone, according to the City of Davie Fire Department.

In compliance with police and fire regulations, we request that you park in a space in the parking lot and not at the curb at any time. We have been notified by the Police Dept. that cars may be ticketed if parked at the curb, as we must allow clear access to the building in case of an emergency. Thank you for your cooperation!

Important Dates to Remember

Tuesday, May 20th

Parent Volunteer Luncheon

Friday, May 23rd

No School-Teacher Workday

Monday May 26th

No School-Memorial Day

Monday, June 2nd

End of the Year Celebration Field Trip to Wannado City