

KINDERGARTEN NEWS  
Week of September 5th

After this week, most of my newsletters are going to consist of two parts - one side will have information about math, science/social studies and any other noteworthy items, and the other side will have information about english language arts. If you ever have any questions about anything mentioned, please feel free to contact me at [vlord@voluntownct.org](mailto:vlord@voluntownct.org) or 860-376-2325 ext. 236.

ELA

- We began using our phonics program, *Foundations*, and our phonemic awareness program, *Heggerty* this week. During our beginning of the year *Foundations* lessons, we will learn about letters & their sounds and how to write letters. This week we worked on lowercase t, b and f. Our *Heggerty* lessons feature a lot of word games - rhyming words, identifying beginning sounds in words, putting two words together to make a compound word, counting the words in a sentence, and more.
- During writing group, we read a couple stories about writing stories and talked a little bit about writing workshop - that there will be a mini lesson, some time for writing and time for sharing our writing with the class.
- We began Module 1: Curious About Kindergarten in our reading program, *Into Reading*. The topic was introduced, some related vocabulary words were introduced, and we read a couple stories about going to school.

Math - We have been working on developing number sense. During group time, we have been learning that there are a few different ways to show numbers - a word, an amount, or a numeral. We have also been exploring different math manipulatives during our math centers time.

Social Studies - Our social studies group discussions have been focused on rules – what are our school rules and why having rules are important.

Classroom Notes

- Open House will be held on Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm.
- Picture Day is also Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. Today I sent home a picture envelope with info about the available packages and prices.

Thank you! Have a great weekend!

