

KINDERGARTEN NEWS
Week of September 11th

Math - We have been working on developing number sense. During group time, we learned that there are a few different ways to show numbers - a word, a numeral and an amount (ex. dots on a 10-frame, holding fingers up, tally marks, on dice). We've also learned and practiced writing 1-7. (**Sometimes writing numbers can be tricky. Practicing this at home would be helpful.**) I have listed the little sayings I use for writing each number below.

1 - straight line down

2 - down, around, a short straight line...number two is looking fine

3 - a curve on top and a curve below...number three is easy to show

4 - down, over, (pick up pencil) down some more...that is how you write a four

5 - down, around, don't stop at that...number five still needs a hat

6 - down, around, make a loop...number six has a hoop

7 - across the sky, then a line...number seven is divine

Social Studies - We continued working on our Rules unit. During group time, we talked about why having rules are important, the concept of fairness (being fair does not always mean everything is equal, it means giving each person what he/she needs), and the difference between a rule & a law.

Our Other Activities

- We got together with Ms. Barber's class on Thursday. Our class is paired up her 4th grade class. About once a month we will spend time with our big buddies and do an activity together. This month's goal was to meet and get to know our buddies so we play with them in our classroom.
- We learned how to login to our Chromebooks using a QR code and how to use the Seesaw app.

Classroom Notes

- I am sending home a couple crafts, some information about handwriting/writing letters and a couple pieces of Foundations paper if you would like to practice letters t, b and f. These items are coming home in a reusable Target bag. I would like to be able to use these bags throughout the school year when things that are too big for folder so please return it to school on Monday. (Thank you in advance!)
- Next Tuesday is Open House. There is a note in your child's folder about this event.
- Picture Day is also next Tuesday. For anyone ordering photos, please be sure to send your photo envelope back by Tuesday morning.

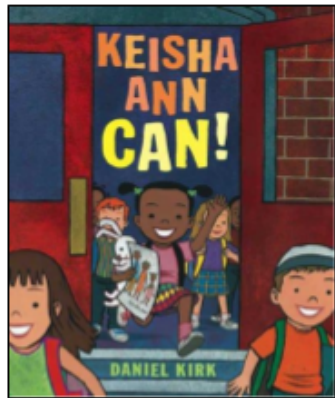
Thank you...have a great weekend!

English Language Arts

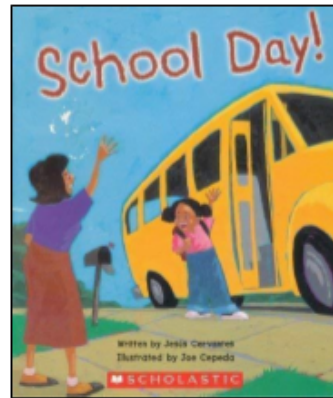
Into Reading Module 1: **Curious About Kindergarten** Week 1

Essential Question: What will I discover in kindergarten?

Read Aloud



Big Book



High Frequency Words

(will begin introducing words soon)

Writing

- * talked about what writers write - lists, stories, notes, texts, emails, etc.
- * learned about the steps writers take when writing - **think** of a topic to write about, **draw** a picture to share your idea, **label** things in your picture, and **write** words to tell your story
- * got our writing folders and looked at/talked about the resources inside it

Reading Comprehension

- * introduced vocab words related to our topic - discover, dream, partners, plan, polite, share
- * learned about some elements of a story - character (person, animal or creature in the story) and setting (where and when the story takes place)

Foundations Skills

- * going over the lines we use for writing letters (sky line, plane line, grass line, worm line)
- * learned the letters b and f, along with their keywords and sounds
- * learned how to properly form/write letters b and f

Heggerty Phonemic Awareness Skills

- * rhyming words
- * identifying beginning and ending sounds
- * blending two smaller words together to make a compound word
- * segmenting a compound word into two individual words
- * counting words in sentences