



Kindergarten Cuties

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Parent Newsletter – January 2020

WHAT ARE WE STUDYING?

Reading

We will be reading the non-fiction books **Century Farm 100 Years on a Family Farm** by Cris Peterson and **Then and Now Life at Home** by Vicki Yates.

We will be looking at change and the concept of then and now. Readers will understand that asking questions enables a reader to gain information from a text. Readers will explore content to understand that there are similarities and differences between then and now using the skill of compare and contrast.

Writing

We will use a combination of drawing, dictating, oral expression, and/or emergent writing to state an opinion about a familiar topic or personal experience and state a reason to support that topic. KW1 We will continue to write short sentences to add to our writing. We will use a capital letter at the beginning of the sentence and a period at the end. Please encourage your children to use sight words in their sentences. Students should make sure their sentence matches what the picture portrays. When doing writing homework with your child, encourage them to stretch their words and write the sounds they hear. Continue labeling their pictures. Practice reading and writing sight words with your child. These words are important tools for the beginning reader.

Math

We will begin Module 3 in the Eureka Math program. Our young learners will be comparing groups of objects to see which is greater than, less than or equal to another group. We will also be comparing numbers from 1 to 10. We will also be describing and comparing measurable attributes such as length, weight and height of two different objects.

Dance with Ms. LaGrotta

During dance class in January, Kindergarten classes will be continuing identifying and demonstrating isolated dance moves of various body parts, locomotor and non-locomotor movements, and dancing with different tempos and rhythms.

***IMPORTANT DATES**

1/1 – New Year’s Day, No school

1/2 – First day back to school from Winter Break.

1/13 – In class trip – 100 Years Ago

1/17 – Science with Dr. Ortiz

1/20 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day, No School

1/21 – Parents as Partners Workshop, Comprehension Homework – 2:30pm to 3:00pm

1/23 – 10th Annual Kindergarten Fashion Show, 7:00pm

News/Information/Tips/Reminders

- Be sure to check your child’s homework folder every night and take out papers and notices on the keep home side.
- Please send a healthy snack for the afternoon. You can also send in a juice box. Please try to keep the snack peanut free.
- *****In class trip January 13, 2020 permission slip and money due by this date. Thank You.**



PTA News

The PTA would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year! We are looking forward to 2020 and would love for you to join us for some events this year. Our monthly PTA meeting will be held on January 15th at 6:30pm and our Annual Kindergarten Fashion Show will be held on January 23rd. Please join us if your schedule permits!

A Note From Ms. Ponzi

Dear Families,

I would like to wish all of you a very Happy New Year! So many fabulous things happened here at Petrides in 2019 and I thank each and every one of you for your continued support. The building was filled with parents in December for holiday workshops, shopping at the fair and singing holiday songs. Please continue to join us at upcoming Parents as Partners events in the New Year. We look forward to an even better 2020!

Please continue to dress your child for the changing of the seasons, as we are committed to sending the children outside for recess, weather permitting. Thank you for all that you do and we are looking forward to a happy and healthy New Year with you all.

Sincerely,
Ms. Ponzi

