

Kindergarten Cuties

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Parent Newsletter – June 2018

WHAT ARE WE STUDYING?

Reading

We will read nonfiction how to books. The books we will read are, *Let's Find Out About Ice Cream* by Mary Ebeltoft Reid, *How to Draw Wild Animals* by Christine Smith and *Learning to Swim* by Donna Bailey.

We will follow the step-by-step directions and chart how to make ice cream, draw an animal and learn how to swim. Readers will identify the steps to learn how to do different things.

Writing

We will use pictures and words to write how to books. We will write step by step instructions to tell how to dissect a lima bean seed, draw a flower and other things kindergarten children know how to do. We will continue to write complete 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 and the mini word wall sent home as a tool for writing. 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 be finishing Chapter 12 this month. Chapter 12 looks at measurement and data. We will be classifying objects and count the number of objects in each category. This is the last math unit for the year.

What's New in Music and Art?

Ms. LaMorte: Students will complete songs for K-celebration, learn/secure 5 dances, identify/apply lines and spaces of music staff, and discuss/apply leadership in a group activity.

Ms. Eliot: Students will continue to learn rhythms and movements to some of their favorite songs.

*IMPORTANT DATES

6/5 - Kindergarten Celebration @ 12:00 noon in the auditorium. Children are to dress to impress.

6/7 - Chancellor's Day, No School for Students

6/8 - Science with Dr. Ortiz

6/11 - Clerical Day, No School for Students

6/12 - Parents as Partners: Daddy Sports Day, 2:30pm - 3:30pm

6/13 - Rescheduled Spirit Day

6/15 - Eid al-Fitr, School Closed

6/19 - PTA Hosting Carnival

6/26 - Last Day of School, Half-Day 11:20am dismissal

***Please don't forget to send in Kindergarten Dues.**

News/Information/Tips/Reminders

- Be sure to check your child's homework folder every night and take out papers and notice on the keep home side.
- We do allow the children to have a healthy snack in the afternoon.
- **Thank you for a great school year! Continue to read with your children over the summer vacation.** Be sure to check your child's homework folder every night and take out papers and notices on the keep home side.
- *****Check our instagram and twitter pages:**
Twitter - @PetridesSchool
Instagram - mjpetrides school



Our Social - Emotional Learning...

This year was our first year of incorporating Sanford Harmony, our Social Emotional Learning curriculum into our classrooms. The students and teachers loved this new addition. It is a program designed to cultivate strong classroom relationships and supportive learning communities. It creates a classroom where students are empowered to connect, communicate, collaborate, embrace diversity, and resolve conflict. This summer, think about choosing books from the attached book list to read with your child(ren).

A Note From Ms. Ponzi

Dear Petrides Families,

Time really does fly at Petrides! I cannot believe how fast this year has gone. May was a busy month with much to celebrate. I would like to thank everyone who came out to all of our special events, especially our moms! Elementary Spirit Week was a success with students racking up points for participating in each theme day. We would like to thank the PTA for the delicious watermelons that they donated for our students to enjoy. June is a month jam packed with celebrations and end of year events. Please join us as often as you possibly can.

It was my pleasure working with all of you this school year. Please enjoy your summer vacation and I look forward to seeing you all in September!

Sincerely,
Ms. Ponzi

