

# Kindergarten Cuties

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## Parent Newsletter – December 2018

### WHAT ARE WE STUDYING?

#### Reading

We will be reading the stories **The Little House** by Virginia Lee Burton and **Four Seasons Make A Year** by Anne Rockwell.

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

Writers will understand that pictures and words in a sequence help tell a story. We will be describing an event, tell the order in which it happened and tell a character reaction. 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 be working on Chapter 5. We will be doing addition in this chapter. Addition will be represented as putting together and adding to. Important vocabulary words in this chapter are add, is equal to and plus.



### What's New in Music and Art?

**Ms. LaMorte:** Students will secure class song more, work with solo/pitch matching, learn 7 songs with motions, and self-evaluate.

**Ms. Granatelli:** During the month of December students will be exploring sculpturing with modeling clay.

### \*IMPORTANT DATES

12/3 – Book in a Bag begins to go home.

12/7 – Holiday Fair

12/14 – Science lesson with Dr. Ortiz

12/20 – Early Childhood Holiday Sing-a-Long, 9am – Parents welcome.

12/24-1/1/19 – Winter Recess – School closed. School resumes on 1/2/19.

### Save the Date:

1/24/19 – Kindergarten Cuties Fashion Show, 7:00pm (All K models should arrive no later than 6:40pm) – \$5.00 per person, cash only, will be collected at the door (Petrides students are free)

\*\*\*Fashion Show Permission Slip due no later than 12/21\*\*\*

### 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 and juice box for the afternoon. Please try to keep the snack peanut free.



### PTA News

12/7 – PTA hosts Holiday Fair

12/19 – PTA Meeting, 7:00pm



### A Note From Ms. Ponzi

Dear Families,

It was so nice to see so many of you attend our Parent Teacher Conferences last month. Communication and collaboration between families and school is extremely beneficial for the success of our students, so we THANK YOU!

I encourage and appreciate your continued support at upcoming Parents as Partners events. Many parents were up at school this past month taking advantage of our workshops and assisting their child in the classroom, learning how to help their child at home and shopping at the book fair. I look forward to seeing you again soon!

Please continue to dress your child appropriately for the changing weather. We are continuing to send children outside for recess when the weather permits.

As we approach the holiday season, let us remember the importance of family, friends, and fun! I wish you and your families a very Happy and Healthy holiday season with your loved ones.

Sincerely,  
Ms. Ponzi

