

October 14, 2011

Hello LE 4 Parents,

THANK YOU!!!

We want to thank the parents who signed up to volunteer for Reading Circles: Mrs. Griffith, Mr. Bascom, Mrs. Knouse, Mrs. Matoke, and Mrs. Schwinger. We are excited to have all of you help our children enjoy reading.

Thanks to Mr. Stanford for designing and mounting our new class shelf. We recognize the Cuilla Family for the lovely flowers. Mrs. Glover, Mrs. Faulkner, Mrs. Schwinger, and Mrs. Cuilla all volunteer to make copies, file, and stuff Friday Folders.

BOOKS FROM THE PUBLIC LIBRARIES

For the month of October, Molly Blanchard signed up to get books from the library. Please help us with these topics: the planets, galaxies, stars, seasons, day and night, constellations, mixtures, vertebrates, Autumn, leaves, Christopher Columbus, Explorers, Presidents of the U.S.A, the election process for children, bats, force and gravity, Johnny Appleseed, firefighters, fire prevention, and the Northeast Native Americans.

HOMEWORK

Homework is coming back to school on a regular basis. Thank you for helping your child develop good study habits. If your child does homework before getting to your home, please check it. If there are mistakes, be gentle and help your child make corrections. Ask your child to check over the work before giving it to you. Thank you.

RECESS

Please have your child bring a water bottle to school each day. As the weather gets cooler, your child may need a sweater or a light jacket. Please make sure your child's name is printed on the label. Thank you.

We have time slots open for recess volunteers. Recess begins at 11:30 p.m. and goes to 12 noon. We have openings for Monday and Thursday. Hurry before your day gets chosen!

Mrs. Griffith comes Tuesday. Mrs. Sotomayor comes Wednesday. Ms. Ramonita Begley comes Friday. Thank you for helping during recess.

PHYSICAL SCIENCE

We'll examine types of soil and its impact on plants. We'll also look at the importance of water and air. In botany we'll focus on the leaf, its parts and function to the plant.

MATH

This month some students will study Naming Positions, Counting and Comparing, and Addition and Subtraction. Other students will study Subtraction with Renaming, Measuring Length using non-standard units, Standard units and Metric Units.

LANGUAGE

We'll do some explanatory writing in science and history. We shine a spotlight on the verb in grammar.

FIELD TRIP

We go to the North Carolina Museum of History on Monday, October 24th. We will visit the American Indian Tour. This will prepare us for our American Indian and Pilgrim study in November. We will leave the school by chartered bus at 9 a.m. and will be coming back to school for lunch around 1:00 p.m. We do not need any parent volunteers for this trip. We will dress in Casa uniforms that day. We're excited to be going to this wonderful museum. Please send in \$12.00 for the bus fare. Make the checks payable to Casa Esperanza. Please sign the permission form and send it in with your child no later than Thursday, October 20th. If you would like to donate extra funds please feel free to do so. Your generosity makes it possible for all the members of our class to attend this field trip. Thank you.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Thursday, October 20th: Board Meeting 6 pm.

Monday, October 24th: LE4 Field Trip to NC Museum of History

As we look forward towards the end of the second quarter, get your calendars out and mark, Thursday, December 15th from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. for our first musical! You won't want to miss it!!

Remember, to breathe deep, eat well, and get plenty of rest. Play with your child some every day. It will keep both of you young and connected.

Sincerely,
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