

October 4, 2019

Dear Kindergarten Parents,

Has your child been listening for "p" words? Every day the students come in to tell me new words that they have discovered which begin with our weekly letter people. This week, as you already know, is Pp / Cc week. Ms. P with her pointy patches arrived in the kindergarten room on Monday. We have almost exhausted the letter "p"! We have discussed patches, pancakes, pigs, patterns, purses, pizzas, pumpkins and much, much more. This week the boys and girls worked on problem solving by working individually and in a group putting puzzles together which really helps us with our reasoning skills. . We have read *If You Give A Pig A Pancake, The Long Nosed Pig and The Legend of Spookley the Square Pumpkin*. Along with these books we have been reading a super chapter book entitled *Junie B., First Grader, Shipwrecked.* What great fun that has been! We have been singing the songs "The Three Little Pig Blues" and "Pepperoni Pizza".

We met Mr. C with his colossal cap on Wednesday. (Have your student tell you how Mr. C has learned not to be so shy.) We have had fun learning about two fun children's literature characters named Curious George and Corduroy. We read both of those books along with <u>Curious George and the Puppies</u>. That little monkey is so curious and it seems to get him into a lot of trouble! Please help your child keep his/her ears and eyes open for the new letters Pp and Cc. They should be able to recognize the letters and hear the letter sounds in words. Please practice these skills with your child to help him/her build those all-important reading readiness skills!

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This week in math we have continued practicing with the numbers 0-1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10. We learned ways to make 10, looked for and used structure for numbers to 10 and then we reviewed for Topic 3 assessment. If your child does not know these numbers then extra practice at home is so important. We have spent four weeks working on them by counting, comparing, writing, reading and matching them to a given set of objects. We will spend a little more time comparing numbers 0 to 10. Please practice with your child! Practice! Practice! Practice! Practice helps make us better!!

Our school Student Council is running the "Coats for Kids" campaign again this year and it will run until next Friday. They are having a contest against grade levels. The grade level who donates the most coats will earn an extra recess. Feel free to send in any clean gently used winter coats for this project. Many thanks to you for your contribution to this important mission!

What a wonderful time we had yesterday at the pumpkin patch! We had 9 chaperones!! That tells me we have an awesome group of caring parents. Thank you so much for donating your time to be with our class yesterday morning. | certainly appreciate all of you and, because of you, we had quite a successful field trip to the pumpkin patch!! ©

Just a reminder: FALL FESTIVAL this weekend at Central Elementary School. Your family would surely have great fun if you wish to attend.

Everyone have a "positively perfect" fall weekend!!!!

Síncerely, Mrs. Ríssler ©

