

Mrs. Hlad's Classroom News

Week of: Sept. 3-6

Dear parents,

We survived our first full week of Kindergarten! Hooray! I'm super proud of how well the students are adjusting and learning our rules and routines!

Our traveling books: Dowds School Staff and Picture This will start traveling home with a different student every Monday through Thursday evening. Please make sure to check your child's backpack every night to see if he/she brought one of those books home, and read it with your child that night, and put right back into their backpack to return the next day for someone else to take home. Also, be sure to check and clean out your child's take home folder every night, and look for their take home book to read in his/her backpack.

Math homework starts this week. See the instructions about math homework and make sure it is turned in by Friday. Make sure your child completes BOTH sides of your child's homework paper. Thanks so much! It really makes a difference in helping your child grasp our kindergarten math concepts.

Here's what's happening this week:

- **Letters of the Week:** Bb and Ff (make sure to go over naming the letters, producing their sounds correctly, things that start with that letter sound, and how to write the letter correctly each night)
- **Words of the Week:** like, love, can, you (make sure to go over reading ALL 30 kindergarten sight words nightly)
- **Theme:** School/Colors
- **Math:** Sorting by different attributes (Read the "Math News" parent letter and look over any math problem set papers that your child brings home. Go over again at home anything they might have missed or had trouble understanding)
- **Writing:** Learning what writing is and how to write a simple "I like" or "I love" story (sentence)
- **Social Studies:** Kindergarten/Rules and why we have them
- **Science:** What is a scientist?
- **Fun Friday Activity:** To celebrate learning the letters Bb and Ff, your child can bring a pair of **big**, or **beautiful**, or **funny** shoes to put on their feet and we will parade around the room in our **big**, or **beautiful**, or **funny** feet. We will also have a snack of **Fudge Bars**. Yum!

Important Dates

The Dowds school fundraiser orders and money will be collected all week. Please have it all turned in by this Friday, Sept. 6th. Thanks so much for all your support!

Thursday, Sept. 5: First PTO meeting @ 4:00 in Mrs. Adams classroom.

Friday, Sept. 6: Send a pair of big, or beautiful or funny shoes for Fun Friday Activity. All Dowds fundraiser orders are due.

Friday, Sept. 13: Scholastic Book Club orders are due by 3:40 PM.

Wednesday, Sept. 18: 1:15 EARLY RELEASE. Please make arrangements!

Have a great week!

Mrs. Hlad :)