

Kindergarten
Classroom Newsletter
January 29, 2019

Tiny Tots Concert

Our Tiny Tots Concert is planned and scheduled for March 1st. Please note that this day is listed as an in-service day for staff, but Kindergarten students will attend school on this day if your child is participating in the concert. Please make sure that your child is at the school by 8:20 and we are scheduled to leave by 8:30. We will be driving downtown and drivers have already been obtained for this trip. Students will need to be picked up at 11:30, after care will be available if needed. This concert is based on the children's story "Anatole" and we will be completing a variety of activities in class related to the story.



Musically Inclined?

Does someone in your family play a musical instrument? If so, we would love to have you visit and share your talent with our students. We would also love the opportunity to see a variety of musical instruments too!



Dear Parents,

We are now beginning the countdown for the end of your child's Kindergarten year. In order to assist your child with the transition into a traditional or private school, we will be implementing the following changes to the Kindergarten routine: We will be "playing school" and students will have a work plan assignment daily. Students will be assigned a "desk" for all seated work. A variety of worksheets will be utilized to prepare your child for the following - following directions - both oral and written, reading comprehension skills and working on an assignment with a time limit. Our goal is to assist your child in making the necessary changes in routine for first grade.

Also of note, we have added an additional field trip to the Kindergarten schedule to replace the Intergenerational Program. We will be taking the students to the Pittsburgh Zoo on April 29th. This will be an all-day event and students will need to bring a lunch. (Please note that this day is listed as an in-service day for staff but will be a school day for Kindergarten students only.) We will leave the school at 8:30 and return around 3:00. If you are interested in assisting on this trip as a driver or as a chaperone, please let Ms. Linda know.

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Quilt Update



We are nearing the end phase of the quilt project. Several students have finished their quilts and many more are almost complete. The students have also worked to create two class quilts which will hang on the wall in the classroom. I have to say that the quilts this year are beautiful! I am so impressed by the end products and everyone's ability to work on such a difficult process.

Quilt Highlights include:

1080 fabric triangles

3145 threaded needles (so far)



Love Your Pet Day

On February 14th, Kindergarten students will be celebrating Pets! If you have a pet that would like to visit, please let us know. A schedule of times will be provided so that we have only one or two pets at a time. All visiting pets must have current shot records available for staff review and must be kept within the Kindergarten classroom during the visiting schedule.

Happy Pet Day!



What We're Learning

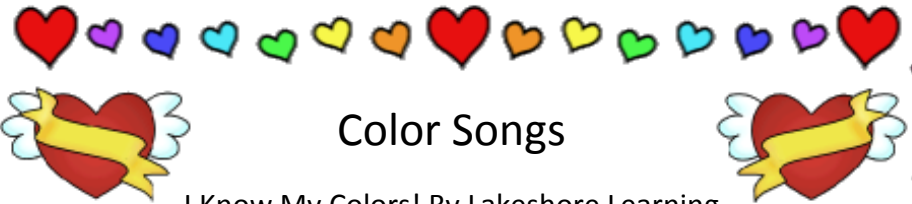
During both February and March the Kindergarten classroom will focus on Health and the Human body. We will be learning about how to take care of our bodies as well as the major body systems. We will end the two month study session with a body mapping project.

Highlights include:

First Aid and CPR basics

Learning about Germs

Safety at Home and School



Color Songs

I Know My Colors! By Lakeshore Learning

Orange – Tune of "This Old Man"

O-R-A - N-G-E

Orange is the color of things I see...

Like a great big pumpkin,

Plump as it can be.

O-R-A-N-G-E

O-R-A-N-G-E

This orange shirt looks bright on me.

Orange is not just a color,

But a fruit from a tree!

O-R-A-N-G-E

