

January 21, 2005

What Are Molecules Learning?

January 15 – 21, 2005

Math

- Shapes
- Number order
- Skip Counting by 5's and 10's
- Counting to 100
- Day of the week
- 12 months of the year
- Number recognition
- Counting backwards from 20

Language / Reading

- Recognizing and practicing the letter (Ee)
- Rhyming words
- Reading Aloud: Because of Winn Dixie
- Fiction and Non-Fiction
- Uppercase and lowercase letters
- Word parts (syllables)
- Quotations

Social Studies:

- Symbols: stop, go, yield

Science:

- Seasons
- Water

Check out the daily BLOG on the class web page for a recap of our day in Kindergarten. Have conversations at home about the events happening in the classroom. We know you're watching when you send your

Goal Setting: Working in the classroom using a quiet voice is a goal that we are close to achieving. Most students are doing their best to respect others and help create a positive learning environment.

Homework in Kindergarten:

Huge congratulations were extended to all the students who turned in their "very first" homework last Friday. Homework is posted on the classroom web page. This will come in handy. ☺

Technology: Technology is a great learning tool! *Fun with Shapes* is a program that allows the user to create and explore using a variety of shapes. We have been using our imagination to create people, animals, and buildings. A great Internet program that can be used at home is:

http://ejad.best.vwh.net/java/patterns/pattern_s_j.shtml

Author's Chair: Students that share their writing receive a badge that says, "I Shared in the Author's Chair". This allows others in the building to ask questions about their writing.

DRA Testing: This diagnostic tool has been given to each student and a reading level has been established. The reading level supports us as we provide appropriate books during instruction. More information will be shared on the report card.

Kindergarten Bulletin Board

- 1/21 Author Visit: Alice McGrill
- 1/25 Celebrate Writing Day! (9:15 – 10:30)
- 1/28 Teacher Planning: No School
- 1/31 Planetarium Field Trip
- 2/11 Report cards go home.