

Kindergarten News

September 7-10, 2021

Dear Family,

We are still completing our beginning of the year **STAR Early Literacy** and **Letter/Sound** screening. Be looking for your child's **results** in his/her binder the end of this week or the beginning of next week. If you would like to discuss your child's scores when you receive them, please feel free to make an appointment to come by and see me. I will be contacting parents of children who did not meet benchmark goals so we can discuss how to better serve your child. There will also be some paperwork (IPRI), Individualized Program of Reading Instruction, for you to sign.

We have our 1st homework this week! It is letter naming fluency. This is a 1 minute timed practice. Have your child point to the first letter of the top row and go across the row naming the letters that they know. Continue down the page by rows, at the end of 1 minute count the letters that your child correctly named and write the total at the bottom of the sheet. **Practice each night and return on Friday. It should take no longer than a few minutes to complete.** Make this fun like a game! If your child is still learning the names of letters, just have them practice without being timed. You can have them point to or circle the letters that they do know if they do not know very many. We want this to be a good practice for every student and do not want anyone to feel failure. Feel free to tweak it any way so your child is getting good practice and feeling successful! Just let us know how you tweaked it so we can see their success on Friday.

Our first Scholastic Book order is due this Wednesday, September 8th. The information letter and flyers went home last week. You have the option of ordering online or sending your order and money to school, in their binder. I will place your order for you.

Please help your child learn his/her full name (first, middle, last) and birthday. We are working on this personal information this first nine weeks. We will add address and phone number later.

Please make sure that your child brings a water bottle to school EVERY day! Please do not send anything but water in our child's bottle. Thank you!

We have a class Face Book Page! Family members can search **Mrs. McCollom's Memories** to find our group and request to join! This is a closed group and only members can see the posts! I also use the **REMIND app**, this is a great way for us to communicate through text. If you have a smart phone, open your web browser, and go to the following link: rmd.at/memoriesk and follow the instructions. If you don't have a smart phone, you can text the message @memoriesk to the number 81010.

Focus for the Week

Letter - Ii, Nn, Mm, Rr

Number - 0-5

Theme -Farm/Apples

Important Dates and Events

Sept. 23rd - School Pictures

Sept. 27th - Fall Fundraiser Begins

Sept. 27-Oct 1st - Homecoming Activities

Oct. 4-8th- Fire Prevention Week

Oct. 12th - Parent/Teacher Conferences (3:30-9:30)

Blessings!

Mrs. McCollom & Mrs. Huls