



# Kindergarten Monthly Newsletter

October 2008



## Book It

We will begin our Book It reading incentive program in October. Later on this month, we will send home instructions for that program. Please keep the form at home until all books and minutes have been read.



## Report Cards

Report cards will go home on Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Please sign the paper attached to the report card and return it in the envelope ASAP. If you need to schedule a conference about the report card, please let us know.



## Fall Festival

We want to invite everyone to come out and enjoy the Fall Festival at New Manchester Elementary on October 25<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am – 2:00 p.m. There will be a moon walk, cake walk, hay ride, “Spooky Trail”, food, candy, and lots of games! Please come join us for some family fun!!



## HOORAY!



Miles Whiteside, from Mrs. Adams’ class, was chosen for the Excellent Eagle Award for Patience for the month of September!



## Eagle Tickets



This month your child will need to earn **378** tickets to attend the Eagle Celebration on October 31<sup>st</sup>.



## Learning Goals

### Language Arts

- Demonstrates concepts of print
- Demonstrates phonemic awareness skills
- Applies writing process
- Identifies uppercase and lowercase letter names
- Identifies letter sounds
- Reads and comprehends simple text
- Retells stories
- Reads high-frequency words (25+)
- Recites short poems and songs

### Mathematics

- Identifies and writes numerals and produces models for number words 0-10
- Applies numbers to counting
- Identifies positional relationships (beside, above, and below)
- Understands measurement of calendar time

### Science

- Recognizes similarities/differences of living and non-living animals

### Social Studies

- Identifies the purposes and customs of holidays
- Identifies important American symbols and their meaning
- Recites personal information
- Explains difference between map and globe

*Be Ready ~ Be Respectful ~ Be Responsible*



### Phonemic Awareness

Phonemic awareness is an essential part of the reading process. These are the areas that we can work on in the classroom that you can also be working on at home: rhyming (producing rhyming words and recognizing rhyming pictures), blending word parts, and blending phonemes, detecting beginning and ending sounds.



### 25 Book Campaign

This year we are "Reading Around the World in 180 Days"! This is to encourage students to read more as well add cultural books to their reading choices. To kick off this theme we will host an International Festival! If you are interested in sponsoring a booth to represent a country, please contact Mrs. Williams or Mrs. Worley in the Media Center (770-651-4418).



### Mark Your Calendar

- October 2<sup>nd</sup> – PTA Meeting @ 6:30
- October 8<sup>th</sup> – Picture Re-take
- October 13<sup>th</sup> – NO SCHOOL
- October 13<sup>th</sup> – Box Tops Labels Due
- October 14<sup>th</sup> – NO SCHOOL
- October 15<sup>th</sup> – Report Cards Issued
- October 25<sup>th</sup> – Fall Festival
- October 31<sup>st</sup> – Eagle Celebration
- October 31<sup>st</sup> – Homework Due



### Reminders

- ☺ Please check book bags EVERYDAY!
- ☺ Please make sure your child can read a calendar, tell you how many days are in a week, read the days of the week, tell you how many months are in a year, and say the months in order.
- ☺ *Read, read, read* to your child. Keep a log of all books read so your child can belong to the 100 book club.
- ☺ Use flashcards with your child for letters, sight words, and numbers.
- ☺ Your child should be able to tell his/her full name, full address, telephone number, and birth date - including the year.



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