

Mrs. Carter's Kindergarten

January Newsletter 2017 -Week 3

Sight Words

1. Two
2. Into
3. Came
4. Would
5. If

Upcoming Events

Jan 23: Reading Benchmarks continue this week; try to avoid absences!

Jan. 23: End of 2nd 9 Weeks

Jan. 24: Teacher Work Day; No School (January 23rd has been changed to a regular school day due to snow days).

Jan 30: Report Card Pick-Up Night/Science Fair



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Notes from the Teacher

It's been a very busy few weeks! We lost some days due to snow, and there has been much assessing for the end of the quarter, as well as middle of the year reading benchmarks. This week, those benchmarks will be wrapped up and results will be shared at conferences.

If you have not gotten a chance to sign up for conference, please do so quickly! I must meet with all parents so results can be discussed.

**** Our specials schedule has changed for the new quarter. Gym is now Wednesday...wear tennis shoes!**

Academic Focus/Skills for the Week

<u>Words</u>	<u>Reading</u>	<u>Writing</u>	<u>Math</u>	<u>Science</u>	<u>Social Studies</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Sentence Structure * Beginning & Ending Sounds in Words * CVC Words * Sounding Out Words * Sentence Dictation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Sight Words * Characters/Setting * Beginning, Middle, End * Rhyming * Informational Texts * Decodable Books * Nouns * Non-sense Words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Spaces b/t Words * Drawing details * Labeling * Exploring the Writing Process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Numbers 1-20 * Greater Than/Less Than/Equal to * Graphing/Analyzing Data * Addition * Subtraction * Counting to 100 * Composing/Decomposing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Tracking Weather * Forces of Motion (Push, Pull, Fast, Slow...how objects move). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Culture Compare & Contrast * Seasons

Don't Forget...!

- * Please sign your child's weekly progress folder (yellow) every week!
- * You can buy books for your child through Scholastic.com! (Great if you're looking for books your child can read independently and with a little help...and it earns our classroom points!) If you are searching for books that correspond with your child's reading level (A, B, C or D,) look for the code "GRL" near the advertised book, and your child's corresponding level. (Their previous level was posted on their last report card, and their current level, officially known after benchmark assessments, will be discussed during conferences at the end of the month.) It is a good idea to go one or two levels above their current level, so they have practice reading more complex books, and they "grow into them!" For example, if your child is currently at a B, search for level C, D and maybe even E and F books! **Copy Link to browser to access:** <https://orders.scholastic.com/NV7HL>
- * Practice the sight word list with your child nightly at home so he can move his pencil on our Sight Word Central Board and win a prize!
- * **Gym Day is now Wednesday-Wear Tennis Shoes**
- * All transportation changes need to be in by *noon* on the day of the change. It is best to send a note in your child's take home folder; however, e-mails to me (before 11:30) and faxes to the office will be accepted, as well. If you send an e-mail, make sure you call me to verify I received it.
- * If your child is ill, Bunn Elementary has a 24-hour symptom-free policy that states students cannot come back until 24 hours after last symptom has presented itself. If your child is sent home sick, your child can not return to school until 24 after the last symptom has presented itself, which includes a fever. Thank you for helping us keep illnesses from spreading, especially as we are in flu season!
- * If your child is out sick, you must send a note the next day in the green daily folder listing the date your child was absent, and why. (It is sent to the office for documentation.) Doctor's notes are accepted, as well. If you need to pick your child up early for an appointment, wait time may be longer during our "specials" time (12:00-12:40—Art, Music and Spanish are outside the main building) or during recess (12:40-1:10) because the building is "locked down" and students cannot get back into the main building without a teacher. (A teacher cannot leave a class unattended to escort a child down.) If you have any questions, please let me know.

