

MRS. CARTER'S KINDERGARTEN

March Newsletter 2017 -Week 5

Sight Words

1. Well
2. More
3. How
4. Just

Upcoming Events

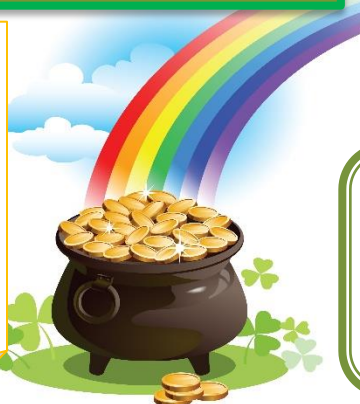
April 3-7: Book Fair

April 13: Field Day!

April 14: Good Friday, No School

April 17-21: Spring Break; No School

May 15-19: End of the Year Reading Assessments (TRC) will take place



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NOTES FROM THE TEACHER

Transportation Changes: If you send your child in with a note to change transportation and it includes riding a bus, or changing buses, please make sure it states the exact address your child needs to be dropped off in the note, along with the adults' name who will be at the location. Include bus number as well, if you know it. Thank you!

Penny Wars: The Annual Penny War is going on now through the end of March. If you have any loose change at home (dollars will do also!), have your child bring it to school! All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society!!

Book Fair: The book Fair is coming on April 3-7! I will let you know soon what day of the week we are scheduled to visit. You can send in money in a sealed envelope, labeled with child's name, amount of money enclosed with the words Book Fair written on the front!

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> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Medial Sounds in Words * CVC Words * CVCV (Long A Words) * Sounding Out Words * Blends * Magic E/Long Vowels * Digraphs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Sight Words * Characters/Setting * Beginning, Middle, End * Rhyming * Literature * Decodable Books * Nouns * Non-Sense Words | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Spaces b/t Words * Writing Process * Correcting/ Writing Dictated Words/ Sentences | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Numbers 1-20 * Greater Than/Less Than/Equal to * Addition & Subtraction * Composing Numbers * Place Value | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Tracking Weather * States of Matter (Solids, Liquids, Gases) * Properties of Matter * Observation * Five Senses | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Citizenship * Geography & Environmental Studies (Using Maps, Positional Words, and understanding physical features) |

Notes Continued....

*The end of the year Reading (TRC) & Dibels Benchmark Assessments will take place the week of May 15-19. It is more important than ever to stay consistent with reading the Reading Folder books (assigned by your child's reading level) that are sent home weekly. Reading and rereading books is the key to gaining mastery of sight words, developing reading fluency and honing in on comprehension skills. The end is near and the results of the benchmark reflect your effort at home ☺

DON'T FORGET...!

*Gym is on Wednesday! Gym will switch to Tuesdays starting April 3rd, for the last quarter! Have you child wear their tennis shoes!

*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 B, C, D and maybe even E and F books! **Copy Link to browser to access:**
<https://orders.scholastic.com/NV7HL>

*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.)