

# MRS. CARTER'S KINDERGARTEN

April Newsletter 2017 -Week 1

## Sight Words

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After  
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Funny

## Upcoming Events

April 3-7: Book Fair (Wednesday)

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

**Book Fair:** Our day to visit is Wednesday! You can send money in a sealed envelope, labeled with child's name, amount of money enclosed with the words Book Fair written on the front! We will not be visiting the Library this week due to the book fair, so keep your Library books another week!

**Reading Assessment:** The end of the year reading assessment (TRC) will take place in about 5 weeks! 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 ☺

**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!

## *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"> <li>* Medial Sounds in Words</li> <li>* CVC Words</li> <li>* CVCe (Long vowels)</li> <li>* Sounding Out Words</li> <li>* Inflected Endings (ing, ed, s)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Sight Words</li> <li>* Characters/Setting</li> <li>* Beginning, Middle, End</li> <li>* Rhyming</li> <li>* Literature</li> <li>* Decodable Books</li> <li>* Informational Texts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Spaces b/t Words</li> <li>* Writing Process</li> <li>* Correcting/ Writing Dictated Words/ Sentences</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Numbers 1-20</li> <li>* Greater Than/Less Than/Equal to</li> <li>* Addition &amp; Subtraction</li> <li>* Composing Numbers</li> <li>* Place Value</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Tracking Weather</li> <li>* Structures and Functions of Living Organisms (Ex: Living Vs. Non-Living, Characteristics of Animals)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* History</li> <li>* Needs and Wants</li> <li>* Economics</li> <li>* Environmental and Geographic Literacy (Why do we need food, shelter, ect.)</li> </ul>

# DON'T FORGET...!

Reading Folders "Stop and Respond"-If your child receives a question to respond to in writing (guided reading level D or higher) in their Reading Folder for the week, don't forget to have your child read the question themselves, and then answer the question completely using details from the text. This will help them in attaining a higher reading level on the middle of the year benchmark!!! Reminder: Do not write the sentence and have your child copy. They cannot grow as a writer that way. I do not expect sentences to be perfect. I just want to see they are trying!!

As the weather is getting warmer, don't forget to keep your child dressed within the BES Dress code. This means no tank tops or spaghetti straps, as well as open backs and shorts higher than where your child's fingers touch when arms are straight down.

Please sign your child's weekly progress folder (yellow) every week!

Gym is on Tuesdays now! Have your child wear their tennis shoes that day!

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!) Copy Link to browser to access: <https://orders.scholastic.com/NV7HL>

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.

## Now Accepting Classroom Donations!

Our class is in need of a few items. Donations would be appreciated!

- Zip-lock Bags (Quart Sized)
- Hand Soap

\*\*Just place the item(s) in your child's book bag and let him/her know to drop them off to Ms. Williamson or myself in the morning (we don't get a chance to check book bags, and the kids enjoy dropping off goodies!)

