

Pre-K/K Classroom

September 16, 2016

PreK

Letter of the week: Aa

Please bring in **2 small pictures** that start with the letter Aa.

Math: Trace 9; Acorn count; Apple count; Egg cracking numbers; Dinosaur clothespin numbers

Writers Workshop: Letters and Name; Writing left to right
They have been enjoying using stickers to make letters in their journals.

Kindergarten

Letter of the week: Aa

Please bring in **2 small pictures** that start with the letter Aa.

Sight Words: see- trace, cut and glue, write

Phonemic Awareness: letter naming/vowels; rhyming; onset sounds; syllables; final sounds

Math: Count, write, quantity for 9; Word problems; 10 frames; Number words

Writers Workshop: Labels

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Some of the stories we will be reading:

Alexander and the Wind-Up Mouse by Leo Lionni
Amelia Bedelia's First Apple Pie by Herman Parish
There's an Alligator Under my Bed by Mercer Mayer
If You're Angry and You Know It by Cecily Kaiser
Autumn's First Leaf by Steve Metzger
Alice the Fairy by David Shannon
Fall by Sian Smith
Fall Leaves by Martha E. H. Rustad
Fall Weather by Martha E. H. Rustad

Project: Dinosaurs...

We discussed fossils and made our own last week. We talked about the T-Rex and made his skeleton. This week we will look at the Brachiasaurus and the Stegosaurus.

STEM Project: Bottle Cap Balance

Art: See Artsonia website.

Some More of This Week's Activities!

Alphabet Alligators

2 piece alphabet puzzle

Alphabet egg match

Dinosaur story and puppet

Peel, core, slice apples

Making apple crisp

The Sneaky, Snacky, Squirrel Game

Number Construction

Mini Muffin Match Up

Calendar of Events (Please check school calendar.)

Sept. 17: Trivia Night

Sept. 27: S&B Burger Joint Fundraiser

Oct. 7: Noon Dismissal with Childcare

Oct. 10: No School/No Childcare

Oct. 31: Oktoberfest at CNS

General Information

I am still having some struggles with personal toys on the playground. Toys from home should not be out before or during school. They are only allowed after 3pm.

Another Scholastic packet has gone home. The order will be sent in on September 23rd. You can place and pay for your order online. This is a great way to get free books and activities for the classroom.

I am in need of different sizes of bottle caps for this Fridays STEM project. If you have any please donate to the classroom. The kids are really enjoying Friday STEM. It gets them thinking!

REMINDER: If your child leaves at noon please make sure you sign them out on the yellow clipboard in the main building foyer. Also, when you are taking your child at the end of the day make sure the person with the yellow clipboard checks the child out.

I have scheduled a field trip to Bandy's Pumpkin Patch on October 21st. We will leave around 11:15am and be back by 3pm. I will be sending out a form next week.

We will be practicing emergency drills in the weeks to come. This is a good time to go over drills at home too. Being prepared is the best way to be!

Please notice that I have a second attachment. This attachment has a letter from Ms. Fraenze about Artsonia. You will also find a form in your child's folder or backpack that gives us permission to post pictures of art online. Make sure you read over this.

Have a Great Weekend!!

Every artist was at first an amateur.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Dear Parents,

My name is Ms. Frances and I am your child's art teacher. This is my fourth year working in the early childhood classroom at Carbondale New School. I have studied art in Germany and I am holding a Master's Degree in Painting and Graphics. Currently, I am finishing my studies in early childhood education. I am very happy to combine my work with children with the fine arts.

I registered our classromm at Artsonia.com, an online student art museum. I will use the site for showcasing our art projects. You will have to grant permission directly on the Artsonia website in order for your child's artwork to show in our school's public gallery. I have printed out permission slips for students, which you will find in your child's folder. On the Artsonia website you will have to know your child's screen name and parent code from the permission slip. I have not used students' last names or parents' email addresses. I strongly encourage you to visit our school's gallery, grant permission, and to support your child's art program!

We will leave all artwork in school for an exhibition during our open house in April. Each student has a portfolio to take home at the end of the school year. My weekly/biweekly update on the Artsonia website will function as a newsletter. I will have set up our last projects over the next days. Please go to Artsonia.com to look at them: <https://www.artsonia.com/> An Artsonia app is available as well.

A picture is worth a thousand words! Ask your little artist about it!

Ms. Frances