

February 26, 2018

Dear Parents,

**Wednesday February 28, 2018, I will be out of the classroom in the morning in order to attend an IEPT in another building.** There will be a guest teacher in the classroom in the morning. The students will be reading News-2-You with the Guest Teacher. I will be back in the classroom by 12:30 p.m. Emails and voicemails will not be checked until I return to the classroom.

### English Language Arts

**Letter of the Week:** Kk. All students will review writing capital and lower case K k. All students will review the letter sound for K k. Targeted instruction will be provided to specific students to help secure letter sound, writing, and identification.

**Pre-Primer Sight Word of the Week:** Help. Targeted instruction to specific groups of students will include writing “Help” “help” as well as identifying it in print and reading sentences.

**First Grade Sight Word of the Week:** Ask. Targeted instruction to specific groups of students will include writing “As” “as” as well as identifying it in print and reading sentences.

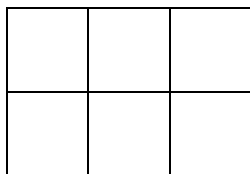
**Personal Information:** Students have been working on memorizing and writing their personal information. Everyone is at a different level and pacing. Staff work with students individually to help improve their skill in this area.

All of the students will work on identifying the letters, sequencing the letters in their word, improving reading fluency by reading sentences or passages with their letter or word of the week in it, creating sentences including the word of the week, writing in sand and shaving cream, stamping their notebook, and rainbow writing in their notebooks. We keep copies of our fluency passages in our notebooks as well as send them home. I encourage you to read over the passages with your student.

### Math

***This week*** I will be introducing Area to the students. The state benchmarks require the students to be able to determine the area of a surface by counting the number of units displayed on a shape and then indicating by writing or pointing what the Area (A) is for the specific shape.

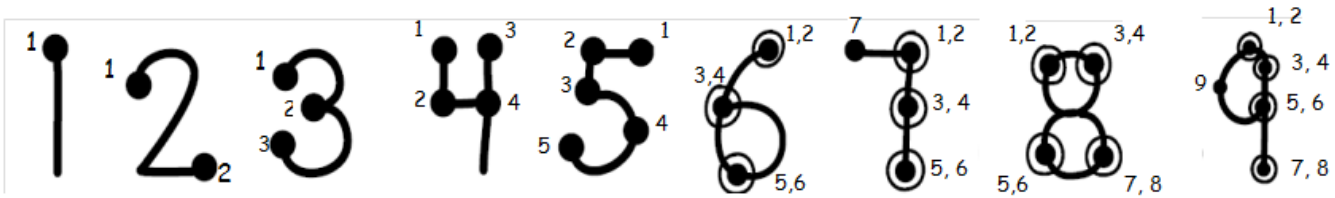
Ex.:



Area = 6 units

We will be working on this skill in class as well as for homework.

## Touch Points



## Cooking

We will be cooking hot lunch on Thursday March 1, 2018. The cost to each student is \$3.00. ***Lunch money is due WEDNESDAY February 28, 2018 so that I can purchase the correct amount of food for those participating on Wednesday Evening.*** Students who pay by Wednesday will cook and eat our classroom lunch on THURSDAY. Students who do not contribute or do not care for the food served will need to bring a lunch from home or get their lunch from the cafeteria as he/she would normally do during the week.

**We will be making gluten free penne pasta, salad, broccoli, strawberry and red grape fruit salad, and lemonade. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.**

## Remind

If you have not had the opportunity to sign up for Remind text messaging services you still can. ***You can sign up by texting @6fa2ea6 to the number 81010 and you will be added to my class list.*** I use this service to keep you informed of upcoming activities, reminders of early release dates, and other quick messages. I know that families who have signed up in the past appreciated having the service as an option to them. It can be easier than an email and paper notes. I have sent out several Remind texts so far this year. I have one scheduled for tomorrow night at 6:00 p.m. Please look for it if you are signed up. Let me know if they are not reaching you and you have signed up for the service.

If you are having difficulty signing up using REMIND then let me know and I can sign you up on my end provided that I have your current telephone number.

## IEPTS

As IEPT dates start to approach I will be contacting you to schedule your student's IEPT. I was hoping to have all IEPTS done by the end of March but am finding due to circumstances outside of my control that we will hold them in April and May. My intention was to have them completed prior to Spring Break as we have to give the state MI-Access test to all students in April and May. The state tests take up a great deal of class time as well as require a great deal time outside of the school day preparing materials to give the test and document work with the testing materials. I will contact you as the time approaches to schedule your student's IEPT.

## Class Website and Emailing Newsletter

The class website is up and running. The web address is: <http://moci.weebly.com> You will be able to view the weekly newsletter, monthly calendar, permission slips, classroom blog, web site links, and photos on this website. It is a continual work in progress.

## Dates to Remember

February 28, 2018.....Mrs. Sloan out of the classroom to attend an IEPT in another building. Guest Teacher for the morning.  
\$3.00 due for cooking.

March 1, 2018.....Cooking hot lunch in the classroom

## Jobs for this week

### *Mrs. Jasinski supervising:*

Wash Dishes/Wash Laundry/Pass Newspaper/AM Messages	MaKayla
Pass Journals/Dry Dishes/Spray & Wipe Doorknobs/lights	Gavin
Wipe kitchen tables & counters/Make Ice Packs/wipe windows & Mirrors	Austin

### *Mrs. Villasurda supervising:*

Clean classroom tables 1-2/Shred	Amiyah
Shred/Clean Chairs	Antoine
Clean classroom tables 3-4/Folding Laundry	Nick

### *Mrs. Karle-Sloan supervising:*

Teacher Helper/Pass Papers/Shred/Folding Laundry	DeShawn
Pass out Today At School/Wipe Appliances/Dust/Sweep	Paige
Clean Lockers/Trash/Empty Recycling Container/Shred	Lorenzo

I am available for telephone conferences before school, 8:15 a.m. – 8:28 a.m. (except for the third Tuesday of the Month), during my conference period: 11:45 a.m. – 12:20 p.m., and after school 3:40 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. (all of these times are approximate). The classroom telephone number is 586-285-8858. You can also contact me via email. My email address is [kkarle-sloan@lsp.org](mailto:kkarle-sloan@lsp.org).

Please remember to call the **Kennedy Middle School Office** if your young adult will be absent from school so your young adult's absence is marked as excused. If you do not call in the absence then it will be recorded as unexcused. **The telephone number for the main office at Kennedy is 586-285-8802. Please remember to call your bus compound.**

Kyrstyn Karle-Sloan

Judy Jasinski

Jennifer Villasurda