



March 26, 2018

Dear Parents,

This is our last week before Spring Break which starts this Friday March 30, 2018 and includes next week April 2 – April 6, 2018. There are no early releases or half days scheduled for this week. School will resume on Monday April 9, 2018.

We will spend a great deal of time this week and next completing Trimester 3 assessments. It will take up until Spring Break to complete these assessments as they are very time consuming.

English Language Arts

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

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

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

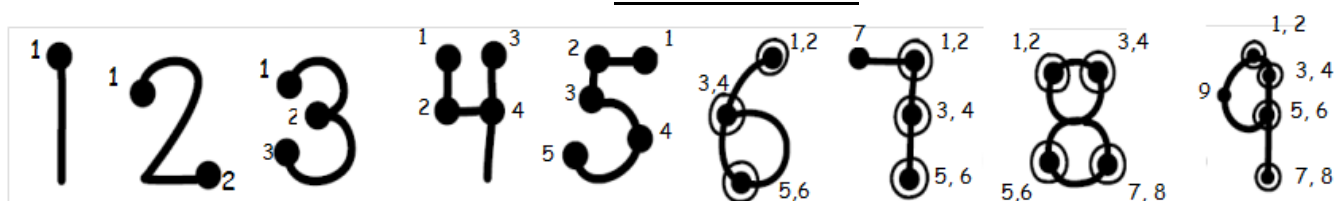
Personal Information: Students have been working on memorizing and writing their personal information. Everyone is at a different level and pacing. Staff work with students individually to help improve their skill in this area.

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, we will continue to discuss perimeter. The students will learn how to add up the perimeter of a shape using a calculator. The shapes will already have the units on them and the students will be taught how to add up the numbers in order to determine the perimeter of a given shape. We do spend time explaining how perimeter can be thought of as the fence around a yard or the frame around a picture.

Touch Points



Cooking

We will NOT be cooking this Thursday March 29, 2018. Our next cooking day will be April 19, 2018.

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

March 28, 2018.....Mrs. Sloan will be in an IEPT on my prep

March 29, 2018.....Last Full Day of School before break.

March 30, 2018.....NO SCHOOL

April 9, 2018.....School will resume

Jobs for this week

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

Mrs. Villasurda supervising:

Clean classroom tables 1-2/Shred	Lorenzo
Shred/Clean Chairs	MaKayla
Clean classroom tables 3-4/Folding Laundry	Gavin

Mrs. Karle-Sloan supervising:

Teacher Helper/Pass Papers/Shred/Folding Laundry	Austin
Pass out Today At School/Wipe Appliances/Dust/Sweep	Amiyah
Clean Lockers/Trash/Empty Recycling Container/Shred	Antoine

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@lsps.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.**

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