

Mrs. Catherwood's Castle News!

Word Families:

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September 21, 2012

In The Classroom:

Hello!

Thank you for sending in snack, a water bottle, and light sweater!

Math Stations:

We have been using math strategies to write numbers correctly, find "break apart line" for sets and write numbers to match, and identify numbers that can be partners to make a larger number (ex. 2 + 3 are partners that make 5). We also practiced our spatial reasoning with tangram puzzles.

Literacy:

This week we have been learning about how to build our stamina when we Treasure Read to ourselves and how to buddy read with a partner. We were able to record our reading using flip cameras and we were so proud of our great reading! We also have practiced procedures for doing free choice literacy stations.

Writer's Workshop:

We have begun to brainstorm topics

to write about and how all good writers use capital letters, spacing between words, and periods.

Science/Social

Studies:

We watched a United Streaming clip about how others are alike and different and completed a classroom lotus about ways others are the same and different. We viewed a video called "Unique Monique" and discussed how we are all unique and special. We also looked at several nonfiction books with families and homes from all over the world and discussed our roles in our family (set the table, make your bed, etc).

FIELD TRIP!

We have our 1st field trip scheduled for the school year on Friday, October 5th. We will be attending the play Skippy Jon Jones at Carolina Theater in Durham. There is a permission form enclosed in your child's folder and the cost is \$13. Please send in the signed permission form and money to school by Monday, September 24th. Due to a limited number of tickets, we will not need chaperones for this field trip!



***Word Study quiz will be on Sept. 28th! Please see your child's list of words this week in their GO Folder!

Important Dates & Upcoming Events:

Curriculum Night 6pm	9-17
Picture Day!	9-18
Early Release 12:30	9-21
Interims for students below grade level	9-24
No School - Workday	9-26
Field Trip	10-5
Cookie Voting	10-?

Class Wishlist:

- Creation Station items
- Prizes for Prize Box
- GLITTER or METALLIC gel pens
- Letter Writing Paper (Stationary) \$ store
- 3M Scotch painters tape (tan & wide)
- printer ink HP 56 & 57
- Avery labels size TINY!! For Go Folders

Crowning Behavior!

Hip! Hip! Hooray!

"HIP! HIP! HOORAY!" to Ethan for always showing LEAD at his table and being a loyal friend!

To Amel for always being a leader not a follower! What terrific friends we have in our class!