

# Mrs. Bushmann's First Grade Flight Notes

1st grade

Lee Expressive Arts School Se

Sept. 15, 2017

## Important Dates

Wednesday, Sept. 20 Tie dye t-shirts

Monday, Sept. 25th No School Teacher Collaboration Day

Friday, Oct. 6th Trip to the Daum Museum in Sedalia

Friday, Oct. 20 Picture Retake Day

Tuesday, Oct. 31 Fall Festival

# Thanks to all the parents who came to curriculum night. It was great to see so many faces.

## Tie dying

We'll tie dye next Wednesday. Be sure to send your child to school in old clothes and old shoes. They will inevitably get some dye on them. It is a very exciting day!

#### Slim Chicken Fundraiser Thursday, Sept. 21st 10:30 a.m. —11 p.m.

See the attached flyer for details about this fundraiser for our school. 20% of our proceeds come right back to our school. You can support our school and get out of cooking on the same night! Win win!!

### **Read-A-Thon**

I hope you are having your child read books (or be read to!) and asking friends and families for bids. This is a great fundraiser for our kids and helps us avoid having to sell candy and giftwrap. I hope you'll consider participating and sponsoring your child. Any amount is appreciated. **Forms are due back by Sept. 29th.** 

### Scholastic Book Order Due date is Friday, Sept. 22nd

Scholastic offers reasonably priced books that will help build your child's library. Take a look. Easiest way to order is online. See the attached letter with details of how to do that. Thanks! **Reading:** I have done reading assessments on the children and we have learned our center jobs. So, next week I should be able to start pulling reading groups.

Writing: We are working on getting down at least 3 ideas while we stretch our words and **reread** our writing. We are learning to try to "paint a picture in each other's brains". We've added working on using question leads in our writings. **Math:** We are working on using the number line and counting on

**Science:** We have talked about germs this week and how to avoid getting them. Our animal of the week is the Orca. Did you know they are a mammal? **Social Studies:** We are studying families and our place in them.

**Word Study:** We will begin with a review of short vowels, being sure every word has a vowel (syllable too!) and that it's the correct vowel.

#### **School Arrival and Dismissal**

Remember that the children are allowed into the building at **7:35**. There is no supervision before this time. **The tardy bell rings at 7:55**. That is the official start time to our day. If your child is a parent drop-off in the morning and you would like to have them eat breakfast you should plan to drop them as close to 7:35 as possible. This way they have time to eat their breakfast and be ready to learn at the start of our day. All children are expected to be here by then or they will be marked absent or tardy. We will dismiss buses first this year at 2:50 and then parent pick-up will start at 3:05.

#### **SNACKS**

We could use any donations of **snacks** that you would like to send. Snack suggestions are: graham crackers, cheese crackers, goldfish, Chex Mix, pretzels, grapes, apples, pudding, etc. I appreciate you helping out with this. If each family would send a snack for our class once a month, we would have enough. We have 19 students.

You might want to label and send a light jacket to school that could hang on your child's hook. It is quite lovely with the new air-conditioning, but several of the children found it to be colder than they are comfortable.

Children are welcome to bring a water bottle to school.

#### Questions? Concerns?

Please call me at school at 214-3530. I am always here by 7:15 and I stay until 3:15 (usually later, but always til then). You may call me at home at 445-3942. Email is also a great way to contact me. I read it several times a day. I have an open door policy and parents are welcome to visit anytime. Lottie Bushmann |bushmann@cpsk12.org