



Mrs. Bushmann's First Grade Flight Notes

1st grade

Lee Expressive Arts School

Sept. 29, 2017

Important Dates

Mon. & Tues, Oct. 2-3

Ibeyinka here—
Visiting artist!

Wed. Oct. 4th
Flu shots

Friday, Oct. 6th

Trip to the Daum Museum
in Sedalia

Free movie night!

Monday, Oct. 9
Dental clinic

Tuesday, Oct. 10
6 pm PTA meeting

Tuesday, Oct. 17
Early Dismissal
School gets out at 12:10

Friday, Oct. 20
Picture Retake Day

Monday, Oct. 30
Teacher Work Day
No School

Tuesday, Oct. 31
Fall Festival

We had a great week. It feels like the class has turned a corner and is working really hard to focus on listening and following directions. They are becoming quite the class of writers and it follows that we'll become strong readers as well. Please read with your child each night. They will bring home a book from school to read to you once or twice a week. Please ask your child if they have a book to read to you. It makes them so proud for you to see their progress.

Daum Contemporary Museum Field trip

Friday, Oct. 6th 8 am- 1:00 pm

Thanks for turning your field trip forms in. We are looking forward to this field trip. Please have your child wear their Lee School tie dye shirt and walking shoes. Don't forget lunch from home if you're not buying school sack lunch.

Lee PTA sponsored Movie Night

Enjoy a free movie with family and Lee friends on the night of Oct. 6. PTA will also be selling popcorn and other small concessions to raise money for Lee School. The theme is Halloween.

Read-A-Thon

Please consider participating in this wonderful fundraiser for our school. In a perfect world we wouldn't need to have fundraiser—but the PTA uses this money to pay for buses so we can take field trips to wonderful places. Even if you only have your child earn \$1 it will mean they have at least participated. Forms and/or money are due back by Monday Oct. 2. Thanks to those who have already turned it in.

Trying to get a Crayola Grant!

There is a flyer in this week's folder about getting a grant from Crayola for our school. One of the requirements is that we allow pictures of the children to be used for "educational, demonstration or promotional materials". Please read the enclosed flyer and return to school by Wednesday, Oct. 4th. Thanks for considering.

Thanks for sending in so many wonderful snacks!

Reading: We have started working in small 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. We have added question leads and next sound leads to our repertoire.

Math: We are working on breaking down 10 into different combinations.

Science: Our animal of the week is the Rhino—a very cool mammal. Do you know what makes an animal a mammal? Your child does! Ask them!

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. We are doing short a first. Our focus is on –at and –an words.

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.

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