



# Kindergarten Connection

## Mrs. Lokkesmoe's Class



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### The Learning Corner



**Bible:** The children will learn this week about being honest and lying. They will learn that God hates lying and the effects that lying can cause. They will learn that being truthful is the wisest choice.

**Phonics:** The children will review all special sounds and learn 4 new special sounds. We will review how to mark short and long vowel words. In reading I will be encouraging fluency and comprehension. You can help by asking who, what, where, when and why questions when you are reading to your child or they are reading to you.

**Math:** In math we have begun addition. **This week please purchase a set of addition flashcards for your child.** You will find them at Wall Mart, Borders and often at the grocery store. The children will be learning addition facts with sums to 10. Addition facts are taught in Families such as each fact that has a 1 in it is the 1's family: 1+0, 1+1, 1+2, 1+3, 1+4, etc. This week we will learn the 0 and 1 families.

**Social Studies/Science:** This week we will be concluding our weather unit and learning about Penguins.

#### **Bible Memory Verse**

Proverbs 12:22

"The Lord detest lying lips, but He delights in men who are truthful.

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## POWER UP WITH READING!

### **Book It!**

During the months of January, February and March our class will be participating in the 'Book It' Program sponsored by Pizza Hut. Each month your child will bring home a form (attached) to track what they read. Each child will be required to read 10 books per month. Most books kindergarteners read are short books that can be read in one sitting, HOWEVER, if your child is reading chapter books, they may count each chapter as a 'book'. Please find attached to this newsletter your child's first form.

Happy Reading!



### Reading is Fun!

~ Please have your child bring one or two books to school that are at their reading level. The children will keep these books in their desks to read when they complete their work.

They will also be allowed to choose a book from our classroom library to keep in their desk as well.





Dear Parents,

Oh.....The weather outside is frightful!! But not in our classroom where the sun always shines! Both the children and myself are refreshed and ready to return to our regular routines. Just a little heads up ~ If you are finding your child having a hard time returning to school, please do not worry. This is very normal. Often children have been home during the holidays and getting up and out the door can be a little challenging. You can help prepare your child before hand by talking about your morning routine. Set out clothes and your child's backpack the night before. Make sure your child gets a good nights sleep and breakfast before bringing them to school in the morning. They will get back into the swing of things before you know it.

As we enter our New Year you will see a few changes in your child's homework. More emphasis will be placed on reading fluently and math facts. The children will begin to practice this as part of both their school work and homework. Please see this week's homework sheet for more information. They will also begin to learn 10 sight words per week.

Looking Ahead:

- January 13: End of 2nd Quarter/Minimum Day
- January 16: Martin Luther King Day/School Closed
- January 31: Field trip to VPAT to see the play, "Peter Rabbit"
- February 3: Spell-A-Thon (Yes, the kindergarteners participate. No worries, the kids will do great!)
- February 7: Science Night/Open House 6:30-8:00 pm.

Happy New Year!

Mrs. Lokkesmoe

Mercy, peace and love be yours in abundance. Jude 1:2

Character Trait of the Month ~ Joy

Joy is finding delight and satisfaction in my relationship with Jesus Christ. Valuing and appreciating every circumstance and displaying great growth through tough times. Thank the Lord with an outward expression of well-being. Radiating Godly happiness with a purpose of refreshing others.

1 Thessalonians 5:16, Hebrews 1:9, James 1:2

