

# The Weekly Word

8/12/16

## News Now...

### Reading:

We started our first Reader's Workshop lessons this week. We talked about how to be "Ready to Learn" and all about being a "Book Lover." Please ask your child about how he/she can be a book lover.

### Math:

We have worked a lot this week on procedures and exploration of our math manipulative supplies. The children also began counting using the most important word...their names! We will begin working with shapes, patterns and sorting in the coming days.

### Letterland:

The children got to take their first trip to Letterland this week. They have already met eight Letterlanders. Please ask your child to tell you about Letterland!

### Star of the Day:

Our first three Stars of the Day have been wonderful! They were able to talk about their posters and answer questions from their friends. I love getting to know them too!



## What's to Come...

### Early Release

Next Friday, 8/19 is our first early release day. School will dismiss at 1:15. In order to make sure that our children can get packed up and ready to go on time we will be eating lunch at 12:35. On these days we focus on the core subjects and do not have outdoor playtime.

### Arrival and Dismissal

I am so proud of how well the children have started walking down all by themselves in the morning! I know it can be stressful to just let them out of the car to come down alone. I want to reassure you that they are doing an amazing job with it. I have also found that children tend to gain confidence when they are given the responsibility of walking down and being "big kids." Mrs. Miller has asked us to remind our families that the bus loading area cannot be used to drop off students in the morning or to pick them up in the afternoon. All families must enter the building through the front doors so that our students remain safe.

### Snack and Water

Thank you so much for sending your sweet children with healthy snacks. It is really helpful in keeping them full until lunch time. If you have not done so yet, please try to send a water bottle in with your child each day. It gets very hot outside and the water fountain on the playground does not always work. Thank you!

## Rapid Reminders

- August 19<sup>th</sup>: Early Release at 1:15 and lunch at 12:35
- Just a reminder...if your child comes home with their clip on green or above, he/she had a good day! Please do not think that green is anything less than great!
- Please remember to send your child's towel back to school every Monday!