## Kindergarten Week 2 August 21st - 25th Topic: The Five Senses



## Language Arts

Although we will continue to review the phonics of letters Aa and Bb, we are ready to move on to the letters Cc and Dd. We have learned that Aa is one of our vowels and has a very important job; it makes a long and short sound. When we discuss the letter Cc, it will be discovered that this letter also has an important job, it makes a hard sound and a soft sound.

The students will move on to A-Z leveled readers and will practice independent and partner reading. We started at three minutes and will slowly build up to 20 minutes!

Our word wall is beginning to grow! This week we add the words: come, go, I, can, is.

Guided reading lessonsbegin September 4th.

Our Daily 5 is off to a great start. We are learning how to read independently and how to read to a friend. The children sit elbow to elbow, knee to knee, using a quiet voice. A one child reads, the other child becomes the listener. The listeners' job will be to listen for mistakes and work together to comprehend the story.

The children will learn to listen closely to themselves learn to stop and re-read when the sentence does not sound right to them.

This week our writing center begins. The children have a choice of writing their name, words of objects seen around the classroom, and words found on the word wall.

## Concept

Ms. Mistina will keep the children busy working on number books this week. Each number has its own rhyme that helps to reinforce the proper printing technique. Ex. - Across the sky and down from heaven, that's the way to make a seven. Keep in mind it is acceptable at this stage for your child to occasionally print some of their letters or numbers backwards. This is simply lack of practice and should correct itself in no time. Practice will make us perfect!

Our topic for the next two weeks centers around the five senses. As I'm sure you can imagine, we have a few fun experiments in store. We will use an air popcorn popper to introduce the Five Senses. Our tasting adventure will introduce the children to different tastes such as sweet, sour, salty and bitter.



**F.Y.I.** - Readiness papers are always done along with the introduction of subjects. Going over these papers with your child is a wonderful opportunity for one on one as well as added reinforcement.

We are creating a family tree and would love a picture of your family! Feel free to include any picures of pets. We can't wait to talk about our families with the class!

## What's New

**Vocabulary:** bashful: embarassed or shy around people belligerent: forceful; outspoken