The Kindergarten News Week 23 January 21-25, 2019 and Week 24 January 28- February 1, 2019

Theme- Solar System/ Careers

Expressive Vocabulary-

moderate: not too much, not too little, neither extreme

<u>noble</u>: showing greatness of character

oasis: a fertile spot where there is water in a desert

pertinent: related directly to the purpose **Review**- Letters: Mm and Nn/ Oo and Pp

Fable: The Boy and the Hazelnut

Proverb: "The early bird gets the worm"

Manners: Ask before you borrow

Sight Words- Jan 21st - sleep, stop, there

Jan 28th- this, three, what

Author Study-Jeanne Willis/Denise Fleming

Language Arts: We will focus on blends and diagraphs the next few weeks. When we talk about blends we learn that the letters keep their sound. For example, *st* is a blend. When we talk about digraphs however, the letters join together to make a new sound. CH-makes the "choochoo" sound, SH-makes the "quiet" sound, TH-makes the "thumb" sound and WH-makes the "whistle" sound. Careers will also be discussed and the boys and girls will all get to share what they want to be when they grow up. We will learn that a career is a job that you have when you are an adult. The students will learn the importance of having a career and will become familiar with the term occupation and income. We will also focus on how people learn to do their careers (college or training) and we will have a discussion about the many different career opportunities we have today.

<u>Math</u>: We have many readiness papers that include telling time, classification, adding and subtracting. We are looking forward to a great 100th day celebration! The boys and girls are in for a fun day filled with activities dealing with the number 100! Don't forget to bring or wear your projects!

Science: The boys and girls will enjoy an experiment called Emerald City Pennies. The children will be using vinegar to turn pennies green. This lesson will teach the children what a chemical reaction is

<u>Social Studies:</u> As part of our social studies lesson, we will be discussing Martin Luther King Jr. and some of the values and ideas taught by him. On this day we will be sharing our "dreams" with the rest of the class. We will take a journey through space and learn about our solar system and the students will become familiar with the universe and galaxies. There may be a future astronaut in our class! Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota & Mississippi will be our featured states for the next few weeks.

Art: As Valentine's Day is quickly approaching, we will all have fun making craft projects and cards for the people that we love. Look for some interesting self portraits to arrive home later this month.

- NOTES TO PARENTS:

 * January 18th, Happy 6th Birthday Angelina!

 *January 19th, Happy 6th Birthday Juliana!

 * 100th day of school celebration on Friday, January 25th
- * I will be evaluating the children in the upcoming weeks to prepare for parent/teacher conferences held on February 18th and 19th. Sign-ups time sheets will be available shortly.
- *Don't forget...your child is welcome to attend our Bobbie Noonan's Summer Camp! There is a \$30.00 activity fee. Please see the office for paperwork.