

*Let nothing dim the light that shines from within.*

*-Maya Angelou*

## **\*The Kindergarten News\***

*for the week of 10/19/20*

- **Theme-** Our Earth/Halloween
- **Expressive Vocabulary-** skeptical: *having or showing doubt or disbelief*  
temporary: *lasting or used for a short time only*
- **Introduce-** Sight Words- sit, under, draw, ride, with /Ss and Tt
- **Bits of Intelligence-** Composers
- **Fable-** The Boy Who Cried Wolf
- **Proverb-** “Better safe than sorry”

### **Language Arts**

This week we will concentrate on the letters Ss and Tt and reviewing all of our word families. The boys and girls really enjoy discovering what new words we can create! We will also have a discussion about Halloween. We will learn about the symbols and customs of this spooky, yet fun, holiday that we love to celebrate. We'll talk about why people started carving Jack O'Lanterns and how the practice of trick or treating came to be. The children will learn some important Halloween safety rules too. Ask your little boo or ghoul to sing this favorite Halloween song for you.

Ghosts and goblins, cats and bats,  
Witches with their pointy hats,  
1-2-3-4, We're knocking at your door...Boo!

### **Math/Science**

The boys and girls will now start counting by ones to 100 each day as part of our morning review-we had previously been stopping at 50. Work on addition will continue as well. While our focus will remain on solving equations with sums of five, this week will bring an added twist! We'll try our hand at beginning algebra by trying to determine the missing addend rather than the sum. The students will be introduced to vertical addition, too. We will also begin a two week unit of study on our Earth. We will learn that the Earth is covered by land and water. The largest pieces of land are called continents, and the biggest bodies of water are called oceans. Since the Earth is made of rock, we will learn about rocks and minerals too. The class will even try to grow a crystal garden!

### **Important Dates**

October 23.....Art Day/Fall Trees Craft

**Our Halloween Party will be held on Friday, October 30. The students may wear their costumes to school on this day. Please limit the amount of accessories to prevent anything from getting lost. We will change out of our costumes at lunchtime, so make sure your child has a change of clothes as well. We're looking forward to having a spooktacular time!**

