

There are only two lasting bequests we can hope to give our children.  
One of these is roots; the other, wings.  
*-Hodding Carter*

**\* The Kindergarten News \***  
for the week of 5 / 31 / 21

I feel the above quote is perfect for this, the final newsletter. Thank you for sharing this group of children with me this year. We had a great time establishing some “roots”, but I know the boys and girls are looking forward eagerly to first grade! It is with much pleasure I ask them now to spread their wings as I send them on to their elementary schools and their first grade teachers for the next exciting step in their lives, but very sadly that I say goodbye to them. They have been a dynamic group to teach!

Thank you too, for all your help this year. Your children have been so successful because they have had the advantage of having a group of supportive parents. Your commitment to your children is evident in their academic achievements - how truly lucky they are to have you in their lives!

Parents often wonder what they can do to help their child over the summer months. My best advice is to have your child read, read, read! I would strongly encourage you to take advantage of the summer reading program offered through your local public library. On Friday, your student will bring home a list of the first and second 100 most used words. You may want to review these words periodically with your child as well. Students will also profit from practicing their math facts over the summer. You can find inexpensive flash cards on Amazon or at most brick and mortar stores. Since many families will be taking vacations and/or day trips (to the zoo or a museum), students can practice their printing and writing by keeping a journal of their summer adventures. Lastly, the students may feel free to complete any of the remaining pages in their mathematics and phonics workbooks (which will be sent home later in the week).

**Important Dates**

May 31 ..... Memorial Day / school closed  
June 3 ..... Kindergarten Carnival  
*(get ready for a morning filled with fun and games!)*  
June 4 ..... Teddy Bear Picnic  
*(bring your favorite stuffed animal to school!)*  
June 4 ..... Last Day of School / Report Cards issued  
June 7 – 11 ..... school open for daycare only  
June 14 ..... Summer Camp begins

*You made it! Congratulations to the Class of 2021!*

*Best wishes to all of you for a safe and happy summer! Mrs. Masek*