

Education is not the filling of a pail but the lighting of a fire.

-William Butler Yeats

The Kindergarten News

For the week of 8/28/2023

- **Theme** – The Five Senses
- **Introductions** – sight words: I, go, am, & like / Cc & Dd/review numbers 1-10
- **Expressive Vocabulary** – expedite- to hasten, quicken, or speed.

fatigue – the condition or state of being tired

- **Bits of Intelligence** – Musical Instruments
- **Manners** – Try to share / Use words, no hitting / Say "please" and "thank you."

Language Arts

This week we will concentrate on the letters Cc and Dd. Our review of the alphabet continues as we move on to the letters Cc and Dd. We will discover that although the letter Cc is not a vowel but indeed a consonant, it does have 2 sounds! It can have a hard sound, as in cat, and a soft sound too, as in celery. Once again, our readiness papers will help us practice correct letter formation and learn phonetic sounds. We will also discuss manners. We will understand that manners are a kind and thoughtful way to treat other people. When we use good manners, we are being polite. The children will also begin writing in their journals. This exercise reinforces proper writing mechanics. We will use capitalization at the start of a sentence, correct spacing of words, and ending punctuation. It also encourages us to sound out the words that we want to write, and even though we might be misspelling the words, the important thing is that we try to do it on our own.

Math and Science

Our review of numbers one through 10 continues, with an added focus on matching numerals to their written word counterpart. Our unit on the five senses begins this week, and the children will enjoy learning about their sense of sight. We will also review our colors and begin discussing size, comparing small, medium, and large. Another exciting development in the classroom is the estimation jar activity that will join our calendar routine on Fridays. This is an interactive way for us to help build our number sense.

Important Dates

September 4th – Labor Day – School Closed

Please remember to empty your child's green folder each evening. The papers sent home will spark a conversation about what they learned at school each day. Thank you! Have a great week!