## As adults, we never stand up so tall as when we stoop to help a child.

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## \*The Kindergarten News\*

For the week of 9/4/2023

- Theme The Five Senses
- Introductions Ee & Ff / review numbers 1-20
- Expressive Vocabulary gloat to look at or think of something with great satisfaction.

heritage – something that is handed down from earlier generations.

or from the past

• Bits of Intelligence – Musical Instruments

## **Language Arts**

We have settled into a comfortable routine, and the children are progressing nicely. As we continue our review of the alphabet this week, we move on to the letters Ee & Ff. As was done with the letter Aa, we will learn that Ee is a vowel with both a short sound (as in egg) and a long sound (as in eagle). We will also begin playing "build a word" with the letters introduced thus far. In this game, the students will each get a turn to try their hand at spelling a word said aloud to them. They must isolate and identify each sound in the word they hear and then print the corresponding letters. We will begin with three-letter CVC (consonant-vowel-consonant) words but will eventually work our way up to four and five-letter words too! Lastly, we will start working on writing our addresses as we continue to learn about our town.

## Math and Science

Our review of the numbers broadened to include the numerals 1 through 20. The children will also do more active work with ten frames. This fun exercise in counting allows the students to compose and decompose numbers in relation to 5 and 10. Ten frames also help form the basis for understanding place value. We will also continue our unit on the five senses. This week we will delve into our sense of touch and hearing. Everyone will get the opportunity to reach into the mystery box and try to identify various objects inside just by feeling them. We will also try a fun science experiment called "Sounds Around." This experiment will have us relying on our sense of hearing by trying to recognize various environmental sounds being played on a CD.

Important Dates

September 4<sup>th</sup> – Labor Day – School Closed

This week your child's first reading log and family project went home. Look for those in their green folder.

Please remember to read with your child every night and fill in their September reading log.

Thank you! Have a great week!