

Children are our most valuable resource.

-Herbert Hoover

***The Kindergarten News ***

for the week of 9 / 16 / 24

- Theme — Fire Fighters and Fire Safety
- Introduce — Sight Words: in, the, me & see / li & Jj
- Expressive Vocabulary — inevitable — not able to be avoided
jovial —full of fun; merry; jolly
- Bits of Intelligence — Insects
- Fable — The Grasshopper and the Ants

Language Arts

This week, we will concentrate on the letters li & Jj. As with the letter Aa, we will learn that li is a vowel with both a short sound (as in igloo) and a long sound (as in ice). This week, we'll explore words in the "am" family, like *jam*, *ham*, *Sam*, and *clam*. We'll do word-building activities and make a fun "am" word chart! The class will also begin an exciting, new, three-week unit of study on safety. We'll start by learning about firefighters and will take a virtual visit to the Fire Station. We will discuss firefighters' important role in our community and what it is like to be a firefighter. We will practice stop, drop, and roll, as well as stay low and go.

Math / Science

In math, we are learning to count by 5's! We will practice skip counting using fun activities like counting firefighter hats, tally marks, and even helping firefighters rescue animals by counting steps by 5's. As the fall season approaches, we will begin discussing the changes we see. We'll begin exploring our city, Chicago! We will discuss famous landmarks like the Willis Tower, Navy Pier, and the Chicago River. Students will share their favorite places in the city, and we'll learn about what makes Chicago special.

Student of the Week

September 16th- Mihaela

Please remember to return Homework packets by Friday. Our first family project is due, please send those to school by Wednesday, September 18th.