



Mrs. Turner's First Grade Ribbiting News

Lee Expressive Arts School

October 20, 2017

Important Dates

Thursday, Oct. 26th

Dental Health
Screening

Monday, Oct. 30th

No School
Teacher Work Day

Tuesday, Oct. 31st

Fall Festival

Nov. 6th-9th

Parent Teacher
Conference Week

Friday, Nov. 10th

No School

Tuesday, Nov. 14th

Literacy Night
6-7 PM

Friday, Nov. 17th

Mrs. Turner is out
for Training all day

November 22nd-24th

No School

Thanksgiving Break

Fall Festival

Please be sure to checkout the green Fall Festival Reminder in folders this week. There is important information about the parade route, daily schedule, costume expectations and volunteering opportunities.

If you would like to volunteer please use the link sent out in the ParentLink.

Remember that the first grade costume theme is fairy tales. Costume ideas may include Goldie Locks, Three Bears, Jack, Beanstalk, Gold Harp, etc. As long as the costume has a fairy tale connection it is a go.

Dental Health Screening

The Dental Health Screening that was originally scheduled for this past Monday has been postponed and rescheduled for Thursday, October 26th.

Read-A-Thon

Thank you to all the families that participated in the PTA's Read-A-Thon fundraiser! Our class won the pizza party reward because our class earned the most! Thank you for encouraging your children to read all while supporting our school by raising money through pledges!

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Please see the goldenrod half-sheet flyer about signing up for parent teacher conferences. You can sign up by using the following link: <http://signup.com/go/8mHCKx>

Then look for my class schedule and sign up for a time that works best for your family.

Parent-Teacher Conferences are a very important component to your child's academic and social successes at school. I love sharing all the wonderful learning your children are doing while at school!

Literacy Night

Last week, there was a flyer about Literacy Night on November 14th from 6-7 PM.

This is a great time for you to clean out your book collection and update it with gently used books. You can begin sending in gently used books with your child and I will give them a punch card to keep track of how many 'new' used books they can get the night of literacy night.

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN OUR CLASSROOM

Reading: The children continue to work on strengthening their retelling abilities. We are working on reading for meaning. The children are practicing using character names when they talk about what happened in the story. We are also working on making sure we have events from the beginning, middle and end.

Word Work: We continued our review of the short o (mop, pot, dots, spot). We will finish with short o and begin the short i next week.

Writing: We are working on adding details to our stories. This week, we reviewed making our characters move and learned how to make our characters talk.

Math: We are working on using strategies to add and subtract within totals of 10. The children focused on moving from counting all (3+2 as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) to counting on (3+2 as hold 3 in head count 4, 5). We learned that addition and subtraction is when something changes. We learned how to use a change to more diagram for addition and a change to less diagram for subtraction.

Science: We wrapped up our study of sound. We will spend a few days learning about light.

CPS Zoo Animal: We learned all about the kangaroo. A kangaroo is a marsupial which means it has a pouch for its baby. We also learned that a baby kangaroo is called a joey.

School Arrival and Dismissal

Remember that the children are allowed into the building at 7:35. There is no supervision before this time. The tardy bell rings at 7:55. That is the official start time to our day. If your child is a parent drop-off in the morning and you would like to have them eat breakfast you should plan to drop them as close to 7:35 as possible. This way they have time to eat their breakfast and be ready to learn at the start of our day. All children are expected to be here by then or they will be marked absent or tardy. We will dismiss buses first this year at 2:50 and then parent pick-up will start at 3:05.

Our Specials Schedule

Monday-Dance and Music Lab

Tuesday-Art

Wednesday-Counselor or Media

Thursday-P.E. and Library Checkout

Friday-Music

*****Dance, Music, and PE require that children wear tennis shoes.*****

Lunch Schedule

Our class eats lunch each day at 11:00 to 11:20.

Be sure to follow our class on Twitter, @LeeRoom101. We tweet several pictures and daily dinner table talk questions during the week. These are to encourage families and children to discuss what they learned during our time at school.

I am so excited to announce that our classroom website is up and running! I am currently updating it daily as there are pictures from previous years. Right now, you can find the weekly newsletters. As the year progresses, I will add pictures and other important updates. You can visit our site by going to the Lee webpage then click on my name under staff directory.

Questions? Concerns?

Please call me at school at 214-3530. I am always here by 7:25 and I stay until 3:15 (usually later, but always til then). Email is also a great way to contact me. I read it several times a day.

-Mrs. Becca Turner

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