

Dear Parents,

November 14, 2014



This week we met Ms. S and her super socks! She is scared of monsters in her closet so she slips on her super socks to feel brave. Ask your child what they are scared of and what they could do to feel brave. Some of the words our class added to our list that start with letter Ss: Stusse (Alexis' last name), Santillan Ochoa (Alice's last name), sailboat, sunflower, sun, Sunday, Saturday, snake, snack, and spider.

This week our theme was spiders. We learned many interesting facts about spiders: spiders are meat eaters, they taste with their feet, it pounces when it senses food, it's stomach (cephalothorax) is the front part of its body along with its eight eyes (most have eight) and legs, and its back part of its body (abdomen) is where the heart and spinnerets are located. Please ask your child to recall some spider facts for you and add to this list.



In Math the students tallied and graphed the results of who is afraid of spiders ☺ It was fun to watch the student's faces as they answered the question. The students also revisited 2D shapes and put them in a spider web. From there, they colored each shape a certain color based on the key. The students also worked with tens frames (adding spiders together then writing a number sentence, gluing

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number spiders in order from 1 – 20 on a tens frame, and working with fact families to ten). We concluded the week working in small groups for math centers.

Next week our theme will be on Thanksgiving, pilgrims, and Native Americans. We will discuss the many reasons we



have for being thankful, the Mayflower, and the first Thanksgiving feast. In Math we will work with pattern blocks making shapes and images, addition story problems about Thanksgiving, and fact families to ten.



Have a safe and fun weekend!

Mrs. Galles

### **Books we read this week:**

- Spiders by Nic Bishop
- Aaarrgghh! Spider! by Lydia Monks
- Spiders by Rebecca Gilpin
- The Spider and the Bat by Mary Howitt
- Do All Spiders Spin Webs by World Press
- Miss Spider's Tea Party by David Kirk
- The Very Busy Spider by Eric Carle
- Charlotte's Web by E B White

### **Next Week:**

Letter: **Dd**

Everyday words: **have, in**

Math: pattern blocks, addition story problems, fact families.

### **Upcoming Events:**

- **Early Dismissal:** Wed. Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 All Buildings. Professional Development Day.
- **Early Dismissal/NO SCHOOL:** Wed. Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 for Thanksgiving Holiday. NO SCHOOL Thurs. Nov. 27 – Fri. Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>.
- **Early Dismissal:** Wed. Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 1:30 Elem. only Professional Development Day.
- **Jr K/Kindergarten Holiday Concert:** Thurs. Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 High School Auditorium. Look for more details to come once date gets closer 😊
- **Early Dismissal:** Fri. Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 Winter Break Begins
- **Classes Resume:** Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> (Beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter)
- **NO SCHOOL:** Friday, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> Teacher In Service
- **NO SCHOOL:** Monday, Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> Martin Luther King Day
- **Early Dismissal:** Wednesday, Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> @ 1:30 (Elem. only)
- **Early Dismissal:** Wednesday, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 (Elem. only)
- **NO SCHOOL:** Friday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> In Service
- **NO SCHOOL:** Monday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> President's Day
- **Early Dismissal:** Wednesday, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 (All Buildings)
- **Kindergarten Round up:** Thursday Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> and Friday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>. No School for current Jr. K and Kindergarten students (grades 1 – 12 will have school as normal). Jr. K students do not need to attend round up. \*Snow dates will be March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> if needed.

## Kindervention:

**Week of Aug 25<sup>th</sup>:** Letter Mm **Everyday words:** I, like, to

**Week of Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Letter Tt **Everyday words:** and, are, you

**Week of Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>:** Letter Ff **Everyday words:** do, see, the

**Week of Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>:** Letter Nn    **Everyday words:** made, my

**Week of Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Letter Hh    **Everyday words:** is, there

**Week of Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>:** Letter review    **Everyday words:** review

**Week of Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>:** Letter Aa    **Everyday words:** me

**Week of Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>:** Letter Pp    **Everyday words:** a, on

**Week of Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>:** Letter Zz    **Everyday words:** they

**Week of Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>:** Letter Bb    **Everyday words:** it

**Week of Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Letter Ii    **Everyday words:** will

**Week of Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>:** Letter Ss    **Everyday words:** go, at, when

**Week of Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>:** Letter Dd    **Everyday words:** have, in