



# Kindergarten eLc Newsletter



November 17, 2017

## This Week in ELA:

We focused on letter Ii. We learned that letter Ii is a vowel and that it makes a long sound and a short sound. We can recognize it, write it, and make both sounds. We read a short story called *This Little Piggy* and found letter Ii hiding in many words. Our sight words this week were *it* and *is*. During independent reading, we activated another super power- Sound Power. We learned how to look at the first letter of a word and fix our lips to make the sound. Combining this with picture power, we are figuring out some tough words! In writing workshop, we continued our informational writing unit! This week, we learned that sometimes authors put important words in **bold print** and also talk to their readers when they write how-to books. We practiced telling our readers, "Make sure you..." or "Next, you...". Mentor texts give us great ideas to use in our own writing!

## This Week in Math:

We completed our shape unit, going to different shape math stations. We used geoboards, pattern blocks, solid shapes, and computer games to solidify our knowledge. We also learned a "shape train" game where we put shapes down that have at least one attribute in common with the previous shape (color, size, number of sides, etc.)

## This Week in Social Studies:

This week, we started our Then and Now unit. We created a timeline showing how things have changed from long ago to now. We learned about communication, games, school, and transportation. While many things have changed over time, we know some things have stayed the same!



Amelia Spain- 11/2  
Anaahat Singh - 11/17  
Ryleigh and Kyndall Jones -11/22  
Garner Coleman - 11/22  
Sullivan Dilworth-11/26  
Jon Gibson 11/28

## Important Dates:

11/20 Cookie Dough Pick-up  
11/22-11/24 Thanksgiving Break  
12/1 Half Day



## Reminders/Announcements:

- Please keep your library books until after Thanksgiving break. We will check out again once we have returned!
- Please check your child's "keep at home" side weekly. Take a moment to look through the work that is going home. Talk with your child about it. If something isn't finished, sit down for a few minutes and finish it together! ☺
- The morning news show has been starting at 8:00 sharp. If at all possible, try to have your child in the building by 7:55 so he/she can be settled before it begins! Thanks!
- Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!



## Home Talk:

Take a walk down memory lane. Talk about how things have changed from when you were younger to now. Describe the similarities and differences between communication, games, clothing, school, and transportation.



Each week, teachers will pick a student who has done a great job being "bucket filler," or a kind friend. This week, our bucket fillers are:

Annabelle Plyler and Garner Coleman

