



Mrs. McKenna's Newsletter



September 23, 2016

This Week in ELA:

This week in reading, we practiced recognizing, identifying sounds for, and writing letters Nn, Oo, and Pp. We read and illustrated the poem *Baa, Baa Black Sheep* and learned sight words *yes, no, and is*. In writing workshop, we are learning to write stories across more than one page. We are continuing to stretch our words and record letters for the sounds we hear.

This Week in Math:

This week in math, we have practiced composing and decomposing the numbers 8 and 9. We have written number sentences such as $8=2+6$ and used counters to express these number sentences in a more concrete way.

This Week in Social Studies:

This week in social studies, we had a brief study of community, citizenship, and rule following. We learned what being a good citizen means and even got "inducted" into our classroom community. We discussed the different types of community helpers and how they work together to make a community run smoothly. See the latest blog update for a picture of our citizens with their special medals!



10/10 Carter Van Vooren
10/14 Mrs. McKenna
10/15 Ayden Cook
10/15 Mallory Heaberlin

Important Dates:

9/30 EdVenture Field Trip
10/3-10/7 Book Fair
10/6 NASA Family Night
10/7 Grandparents' Day
10/13 Half Day
10/14 Student Holiday
10/19 Fall Picture Day
10/21 Sesqui Field Trip



Reminders:

- The school day starts promptly at 8:00. Please have your student here on time to set the tone for a great day!
- Please sign your child out no later than 2:15 if you are picking up early for any reason.
- Starting next week, you may send library books in every Friday to be swapped out.
- For our field trip on Friday, please send your child in comfortable walking shoes.



Home Talk:

Ask your child some prompting questions related to our class discussions this week: What is being a good citizen? How can you be a good citizen at school and home? What community helper is the most interesting to you? Why?



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

