



Mrs. McKenna's Newsletter



October 28, 2016

This Week in ELA:

This week in reading, we worked on hearing long and short vowel Ii. We read and illustrated *Five Little Pumpkins* and learned sight words *said* and *do*. In writing workshop, we began informational writing. We are writing to teach others how to do all kinds of things-ride a bike, tie our shoes, make cookies, etc. You can help us brainstorm other areas of expertise at home so we have plenty of writing ideas come Monday.

This Week in Math:

This week in math, we reviewed all of our first quarter skills. We practiced counting objects, recognizing one more and one less, creating number sentences (5=3+2), and guessing the missing number in a sequence to 10. We went to our math stations and had a great time!

This Week in Science:

This week in science, we explored apples and did many activities with them! We used our five senses to see, feel, and smell apples first. Then, we got to bite into the apples, exploring the sound we heard and the taste! We also learned about the role of bees in keeping our apples growing!

This Week in Social Studies:

We read the book *How to Make an Apple Pie and See the World*. After that, we studied a map of the world. We talked about the location of countries, as well as different modes of transportation and goods that each country specializes in.



No November birthdays! ☹️

Important Dates:

- 11/3 Make-up NASA night
- 11/4 Make-up Grandparents Day
- 11/7 Eagle Olympics (Field Day)
- 11/8 Election Day- NO SCHOOL
- 11/11 Veterans Day



Reminders:

- You may now be notified via twitter when the blog has been updated. Follow me [@mckenna_kinder](#) if you are interested! Please see the blog's latest updates for important information about schedule changes and other announcements.
- THANK YOU** to those of you who brought in supplies for our creation station or prize box! We ALWAYS welcome and greatly appreciate them!! ☺️



Home Talk:

This week we explored three different kinds of apples- Honeycrisp, Red Delicious, and Golden Delicious. Ask your child about using his/her five senses to explore these. If you have any other kinds of apples at home, have them do the same activity. How do they look, smell, feel, and taste? What is the sound when you bite into one?



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: **Sadie Reibold**

