

Bear Lake News

Thursday, September 5, 2019

Dear Parents,

It truly "takes a village" in kindergarten to keep children happy, focused and learning! THANK YOU for your support of our classrooms and our school. We are here if you have any questions. Have you signed up for the Remind app? It is an excellent way to be reminded of upcoming happenings in kinder. It is okay to use it for transportation changes, but be sure you get a "thumbs up" which means it was received. A written note is always better for teachers—as you can imagine, we have lots going on and don't want to forget.

We have been busy working with your child—getting to know them, teaching routines and expectations and assessing beginning skills. One assessment is called Dibels Next which is one measure of early literacy knowledge. Both teachers had subs this week so we could administer this test. We will be going over all the assessments and progress at our October conferences (Oct 16 and 17).

Easy School Fundraiser!

Our BAT parent team (Beattie Action Team) work very hard for the school and all the students. A very, very easy fundraiser you can help with is the **GROCERY CARDS**. You can purchase a card from the office for \$10, and reload it at the checkout and our school gets 5% of the profits!! Wow! Really easy—almost like free money!

Upcoming Skills/Ask Me About

WIN Reading Groups

All About Me and My Family

Counting Numbers Up to 5 (Look for Unit 1 homework packet: Optional, but worthwhile!)

Writing Time

Positive Parents

- We began WIN Reading Groups this week. Our reading group time is 10-10:45. Children are learning their group number, and shifting into them quickly. They have begun to bring home their daily reading folder. Be sure to read every night, sign the calendar and return EVERY-DAY. The books inside need to be returned so we can use them with the next day's group.
- Because the children have had guest teachers, some behavior has been showing up. Please be sure to reinforce good choices—lining up right away when the recess whistle blows, doing things the first time asked and treating others kindly (hands to self).
- PLEASE CHECK AND RETURN your child signed PROFILE PAGE—even if there are no changes! Please also return your child's PSD After 3 sign up form—they are due by the 12.

Important Dates

Sept. 6: Teddy Bear Picnic! Send a small teddy bear with your child!

Sept. 10: BNO (Beattie Night Out): C.B. Potts at the mall!

Sept. 12: Watch D.O.G.S. meeting: 6 PM

Sept. 13: Spirit Day: Hawaii shirt day

Sept. 17: Get Up and Go Begins (must be signed up)

Sept. 25: School Picture Day

Sept. 20: Collaboration Day: No School for Students

Sept. 27: Spirit Day: Hat Day

Oct. 2: Beattie Be Fit Day: Volunteers Needed!

Oct. 16/17: Parent Conferences

Oct. 18: No School

Return Decorated Writing folders!

We sent home "Family Homework" last week. It was a folder to decorate. We will use these as your child's writing folder. Please let us know if you need another one.