



# Mrs. Smith's Smidgens Friday, April 5th, 2024

## Phonograms

Taught April 1st-4th

"wr, 2 letter, used only at the beginning of a word" (1 sound)

"ie, Brownie? Pie? I!" (3 sounds)

Planning to Teach April 8th-11th

"dge, 3 letter" (1 sound)

"ei" another cheer! (3 sounds)

## Phonogram and Spelling Test

Our next test will be Thurs., April 11th. We are going to have 6 phonograms and spelling words as we work up to 10 by the end of the school year. FYI The 1st Grade handwriting paper transition was smooth for most!

au	him
or	today
wh	look
ed	did
ew	like
oa	six

Page 3 has the handwritten list.

## Sound in a Sack "x"

Since no words begin with "x" making the proper sound of "x," students may bring anything that has a letter "x" in it that makes the proper sound. Also, students will now be reading their own clues! Please practice this at home.

## This Week's Read-Aloud Books

Bird, Butterfly, Eel

By James Prosek

Me... Jane

By Patrick McDonnell

The Emperor's New Clothes

The Little Mermaid

The Ugly Duckling

By Hans Christian Anderson

## This Week's Math Concepts

- \* Take Away to Subtract (Part 3)
- \* Take Apart to Subtract (Part 1)
- \* Take Apart to Subtract (Part 2)
- \* Count Back

## Next Week's Math Concepts

- \* Subtract within 5
- \* Subtract within 10 (Part 1 and Part 2)
- \* Chapter 9 Practice
- \* Chapter 10 Test

## Math Facts

Students have begun to complete "math fact worksheets" every day in class. It is typically part of their seatwork. These are not timed. Worksheets are graded immediately and students make corrections immediately. Our 5 strategies for solving math facts are:

1. My brain knows it!
2. Use my fingers.
3. Use counters.
4. Draw little dots.
5. Make little lines.

## Core Knowledge

Next week we begin to learn about plants. Your student will learn a lot about carrots as well as what plants need to grow.

## Suitcase Fairy Tales

Our "in school" field trip was awesome! Did you hear about it? If not, ASK your child!

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Wed., April 10th: Return Baggie Books

Thurs., April 11th: Students Return Library Books  
If library books are not returned, students are not allowed to check out a new book.

Thurs., April 11th: Phonogram Test and Spelling Test  
See details on Page 1 and the handwritten list on Page 3.

Thurs., April 4th: New Baggie Books Go Home

Wed., April 17th: Scholastic Book Orders Due  
Please view Scholastic Book Club flyers at: <https://clubs.scholastic.com/ms> and place your child's book order on-line at our class page: <https://orders.scholastic.com/GRG9X>

Wed., April 24th: Kindergarten Music Concerts  
AM Class 10:15-10:30  
PM Class 1:00-1:30  
Music Concerts will be held in Room #176. Students will be allowed to wear DRESSY CLOTHES on Concert Day, however NO COSTUMES. If students will be going home with their family following the concert, students will need to be signed out in the classroom.

Fri., April 26th: TCA Central Art Show, 5:00 - 7:00 pm  
Each TCA Central student will have a piece of artwork on display this night. Kindergarten art will be in our hallway and near our Specials Room.

Thurs., May 2nd: NO SCHOOL DUE TO DIBELS TESTING

Thurs., May 2nd and Fri., May 3rd: End of Year (EOY) DIBELS Testing  
More details and an on-line sign up coming soon. Watch your email!

Thurs., May 9th: Mommy and Me Tea Party  
AM Class: 10:30-11:30  
PM Class: 2:30-3:30  
Moms, mark your calendars NOW for this special "Mommy and Me" event!

Tues., May 14th: Kindergarten Field Day  
More details will be coming from Mrs. Campos.

Tues., May 21st: Last Day of Kindergarten at School in Our Classroom

Wed., May 22nd: Kindergarten End of the Year Picnic, Games and Certificate Ceremony at Fox Run Park  
AM Class 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
PM Class 12:15 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.  
More information and a permission slip will go home next month. Moms, dads, siblings, and grandparents are all WELCOME to attend!

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