

Kyrene Traditional Academy

April 12, 2019

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Upcoming Events:

April 16th: \$1 Dress Down Day
PTO Meeting (5:00 pm)

April 17th: District Art Festival- located at the District Office

April 18th: Neon Spirit Day! Wear those bright colors ☺
Neon Dance (6:00 pm to 7:30 pm)

April 19th: NO School

April 24th: **Kindergarten Walking field trip to the park** (across the street).

May 2nd: **Celebration of Learning** (This is a school-wide evening event where all grade level classes will make presentations either in their classrooms or in their grade level hallways. PLEASE mark your calendars & plan to attend; the time is yet to be determined.) Kindergartners will perform songs with Mrs. Bull at 5:00. Meet teachers in the library at 4:50 p.m.

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Language Arts /Math/Writing

Language Arts – Students are doing much better with ongoing spelling word dictation during daily practice and on Friday quizzes. A few still struggling with identifying and writing the assorted isolated phonograms. In the “K,” teachers give immediate feedback to check work and make corrections since students are learning the Spalding process and routines. In 1st grade, the number of spelling words will go up to 20-30 words instead of the average 15 in the K. While that’s a big jump, they start with review of the first 70 phonograms already learned with us. IF not already mastered, the increased pace can be challenging and frustrating for some students. Please do a quick review every night for homework.

Math – We are working with teen numbers in base 10s (ten and some more). In class we are extending lessons with addition and subtraction to include “ways to make a number”. We review past skills as well and may be repeating some lessons before interims and end of year assessments begin. Math interims are next week. Please be sure your child is on time to school and rested.

Writing – K Students have improved with writing complete sentences, but still forgetful of capitalization and punctuation without prompts. Please make sure to assist your child in checking work. Every sentence should begin with a capital letter, have spaces between words, and punctuation at the end.

Classroom Happenings

We are currently working in our “Taking Care of the Earth” social lessons. Concepts like natural resources and the 3R’s (reduce, reuse, recycle) are being taught. We will be incorporating some hands on activities as well as writing maps to help with understanding.

Next up, Magnets! This is brief, but always a fun unit for students and they enjoy it immensely. Please join us the beginning of May for the Celebration of Learning and check out what’s going on in the school. Dates and times will be in next week’s newsletter.

Finally, a few parent helpers are needed to help with the K’s Walking Field Trip to the Park across the street on Wednesday, April 24th 8:00-10:15a.m. Since there are NO bathrooms at the park, we will need help to walk kids to KTA bathrooms and back, as needed. Super fun, I know. ☺ It really is an enjoyable day and the weather is gorgeous for some language arts games at the park. ☺

Have a wonderful weekend! See you all on Monday!

~Your Kindergarten Team: Mrs. Cano, Ms. Randolph, Mrs. Kennedy, and Ms. Casper