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March Skipper 2022

PRE-K 3

Three-year-olds are naturally creative. Over the next few weeks, our classroom will become an incubator for creativity. We will explore creative things kids can do, turn recycled objects into treasures, conduct experiments to make new discoveries, and design and build structures. Be ready to think creatively at home when your child challenges you to become a puppeteer or to test your imagination!

PRE-K 4

During the month of March, PreK 4 will be continuing Unit 4, Exploring Museums. In this unit, children learn about museums and collections-what they are, what they have inside, who works there, and how they work. This unit focuses on two areas of study: paleontology and medieval times. Math learning continues with a focus on patterns as children learn what a pattern unit is and how to extend it. Children continue to explore letters and beginning sounds of words, as they create exhibits, collections, signs, and captions.

Upcoming Events:

- March 11th-18th: In Class Activities with Performing Artist: Bomani
- Ward Museum Field Trips:
Anderton/Harper (March 24th)
Bisker/Gilmore (March 25th)

KINDERGARTEN

Dear Kindergarten Families,

This month in ELA we will study and compare a variety of fiction and nonfiction books. We will continue to practice short vowel sounds and writing during our show and tell unit.

As mathematicians we will explore teen numbers, continue addition within 10, and master counting by 10s.

For Social Studies we will continue with our civics units as we explore the need for rules & laws in a community.

Please continue to encourage your student to be respectful, responsible, ready to learn, and kind with adults and peers at school.

Reminders:

- Please continue to review and empty your child's yellow folder daily.
- Please be sure to send your child to school with a jacket as we will try to get outside when weather permits.
- Please send in monthly snacks.

-The Kindergarten Team

GLOW PARTY MARCH 21-28

Please have your student wear white or neon-bright shirts on the following day they come to the media center:

C-day classes: Ferro, Hartman(Woytowitz), Miller, Anderton, Gilbert, Dashiell

D-day classes: Karsnitz, Murphy, Martino, Bisker, Brinsfield, Stanley

E-day classes: Christensen, Landers, Vance, Harper, Finch, Sann

F-day classes: Charlton, Flynn, Mann, Eskridge, Gilmore, Moody, Kamps

SECOND GRADE

ELA 😊

The second graders have been responding to stories with humorous characters, challenging events and amazing places. They have studied the vowel teams: ou, oo, ea and ow. They have worked with multisyllable words and suffixes. The boys and girls have learned about book clubs and fantasy/ realism. They have been learning sentence structure and writing information articles. They are reading and writing more independently as they put their new skills to practice.

In math, students have been focusing on whole number operations and number stories. Students have been using different math diagrams to solve their number stories. Please continue to review any math assignments that are sent home.

We are back to science during the 3rd marking term. We are completing a STEM unit on the pollination system. Students are reading the book, *Mariana Becomes a Butterfly*, and will create their own hand pollinator that they will design and test.

The children enjoyed sharing Valentines and the Book Fair this past month.

SPECIAL AREAS

Music: PreK3 and PreK4 Musicians enjoyed learning about emotions in music and following musical signs the past two music classes. Moving in March they will be learning about and performing the steady beat and 4-beat rhythms using body percussion, movement, and classroom instruments.

Kindergarten Musicians have been working hard with Ms. Morris, our music intern. She just completed a lesson focused on modes of transportation with movement, sound, and instruments. Students will be continuing their learning by experiencing and playing quarter notes and eighth notes on the xylophone and drums next!

First Grade Musicians have been learning about quarter notes and eighth notes using stick notation recently with Ms. Morris, our music intern. She is looking forward to introducing them to standard notation and the quarter rest and improving their rhythm performance skills orally and with classroom instruments.

Second Grade Musicians just finished their first experience with ostinato, a musical repeating pattern, this cycle with Ms. Morris, our music intern. They learned a poem and performed 2 different ostinatos with 2 different instruments. Moving forward, students will be focusing on writing, composing, and performing rhythms with quarter notes, eighth notes, and quarter rests.

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 D Day	2 E Day PreK Music Therapy <small>(Martino, Eskridge, Gilmore)</small>	3 F Day	4 A Day
7 B Day 2nd Grade CogAt Testing	8 C Day 2nd Grade CogAt Testing	9 D Day Early Dismissal 12:45 PreK Music Therapy <small>(Martino, Eskridge, Gilmore)</small>	10 E Day	11 F Day
14 A Day Parent Conference Night	15 B Day	16 C Day PreK Music Therapy <small>(Martino, Eskridge, Gilmore)</small>	17 D Day Fruitland Schools Sweet Frog Night	18 E Day
21 F Day Glow Party	22 A Day	23 B Day PreK Music Therapy <small>(Martino, Eskridge, Gilmore)</small>	24 C Day Glow Party	25 D Day Spring Pictures Glow Party
28 E Day Glow Party	29 F Day	30 A Day PreK Music Therapy <small>(Martino, Eskridge, Gilmore)</small>	31 B Day	

General Reminders:

**Daily COVID Screening Procedures- please be sure to screen your child for COVID symptoms prior to attending each in-person school day. The screening procedure can be found [here](#).

**PARENTS!! You may want to consider Voluntary Student Accident Insurance (SAI) coverage for your child. There are many options available including 24-hour insurance coverage, school-time coverage, summer coverage and more. To learn about the coverages available and to enroll online, go to this Wicomico County Public Schools approved insurance agency: [Flyer](#)

**We are inviting parents to be involved in our PBIS (Positive Behavior Program). As a parent member you will only be asked to attend 1 meeting. Please let your child's teacher know if you are interested. We are excited to create a sense of community, not only among our staff and students, but our families as well.