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PRE-K 4

We are finishing up Unit 5 on "Growing Our Garden". Our Unit 5 culminating event will be held on June 1st (more information to come).

Next, we will be starting Unit 6 in the Connect4Learning® classroom program. This unit lasts two weeks and is all about reviewing how we have grown and changed.

We will revisit favorite books, games, and activities and will create a class book called What We Have Learned and a class video yearbook.

We will also talk about what comes next: kindergarten!

KINDERGARTEN

Dear Kindergarten Families,
This month in phonics we are exploring how to read and write words using long and short vowel sounds. We will look at words with long vowel sounds like "cake," in this word the 'magic e' makes the letter 'A' say its name.
As mathematicians we are working on addition and subtraction strategies.

In social studies we will explore the world around us, including geography.

We will be exploring all things bugs as we complete a "School Critter" room transformation. Students will learn about different bugs and how they impact their habitat.

Thank you
-Fruitland Kindergarten Team

FIRST GRADE

Dear First Grade Families,

In math, students will represent and solve problems involving addition and subtraction. Students will understand place value and use place value understanding and properties of operations to add and subtract.

In social studies, students will develop economic reasoning to understand the historical development and current status of economic principles, institutions, and processes needed to be effective citizens, consumers, and workers participating in local communities, the nation, and the world.

SECOND GRADE

In second grade math students have been studying arrays and equal groups. They also have been learning about the attributes of 2-D and 3-D shapes. Students continue to practice number stories and math facts.

In social studies, second graders spent time learning about the importance of taking care of the Earth. Students completed a project where they reused everyday materials around their house to create something to enjoy at home. Students had fun sharing their projects with the other students!

ELA

The boys and girls have been reading and responding realistic fiction and other fiction and nonfiction texts. They have worked with vowel teams, phonograms, silent letters, hard and soft c and g, suffixes, prefixes and syllables. Second graders have been studying different texts, realistic fiction characteristics and how characters grow and change. They have been writing in their journals and readers' notebooks. The students worked on sentence and paragraph structure.

MATH

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SPECIAL AREAS

PE: On *May 6, 2022*, Fruitland Primary School will be hosting our annual Kids Heart Challenge event to raise funds for the American Heart Association. Our event will take place during school hours; each class will be invited to our "Celebration Event" in the gym. The Celebration, lasting approximately 45 minutes, will have a variety of jumping activities and fun for all FPS students. This activity time will replace their physical education or other special area classes for that day. It is important that all students come prepared dressed in comfortable clothes and sneakers.

If you have any questions or concerns, you can contact Mr. Walter/Mrs. Tilghman at FPS through class DOJO. We look forward to this event and appreciate your anticipated support.

Thank you,

Mr. Walter/Mrs. Tilghman

SPECIAL AREAS

Music: PreK3 and PreK4 Musicians have started experiencing and playing rhythms with long and short sounds and common words such as "book" and "puppy." Next, they will be adding dynamics to their rhythms and playing them on instruments. Keep up the great work PreK!

Kindergarten Musicians have been doing so well learning how to play up and down on the xylophone! They will continue improving their steady beat skills with and without classroom instruments and work on rhythms with long and short sounds. I have observed so many improvements in their music skills this year!

First Grade Musicians have been focused on speaking and playing rhythms with quarter notes and eighths. Next, they have focused on playing up/down on the xylophone and using staff notation for sol, la, and mi. They are working hard this year!

Second Grade Musicians have mastered speaking, playing, and composing 4-beat rhythm patterns with quarter and eighth notes and quarter rests! Now, they will experience, speak, and play the sixteenth note using a song, tom-tom drums, and dance! They are almost ready for third grade!

May 2022 Skipper

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 D Day Mental Health Matters Week	3 E Day Mental Health Matters Week	4 F Day Mental Health Matters Week	5 A Day Mental Health Matters Week	6 B Day Mental Health Matters Week Kids Heart Challenge
9 C Day	10 D Day	11 E Day Progress Reports Posted Early Dismissal	12 F Day	13 A Day
16 B Day	17 C Day Bookmobile-Final pickup of books	18 D Day	19 E Day Fruitland Schools Sweet Frog Night	20 F Day
23 A Day	24 B Day	25 C Day	26 D Day	27 E Day Field Day
30 No School	31 F 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.