



# Mrs. Oprysko's Kindergarten News

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## Notes from Mrs. Oprysko and Mrs. Wheeler...

\* In reading this week, we studied poetry. We added lots of poems to our Reading Response Journal in our book bins. We discovered the differences between poems, story books (fiction) and informational text (non-fiction). We started using a new Strategy to help us learn new things from informational text. It is called the R.A.N. Strategy. R.A.N. is an acronym for Reading and Analyzing Non-Fiction. Thanks for returning the baggie books each day.

\*During our math centers this week we continued to work on counting and recording our numbers. We focused on numbers that are one more and one less. We are getting very good at subitizing.

\*We made roller coasters in Science this week. We use clear tubing and ball bearings to student the effects gravity has on our roller coaster.

\*Please don't forget to sign your child's agenda book each day. Our kids began writing their own sentences in their agenda book with their sight word of the day.

Have a great long weekend!

## Mark Your Calendar

10/9-End of 1<sup>st</sup> Nine Week  
10/12-Columbus Day-No School

10/13-Skate Night-Sparkles

10/15-Fall Pictures

10/16-Progress Reports go home

Movie Night 6:30PM

10/19-Chili's Give Back Night

10/19-23-Great Days of Service

10/26-30-Red Ribbon Week

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## This Week's AKS Highlights

### Math

\*count to 100 by ones and by tens

\*count forward by ones, beginning from a given number within the known sequence (instead of having to begin at 1)

\*identify coins by name and value: pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, and dollar bills

### Language Arts

\*Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes)

\*Recognize and produce rhyming words

\*Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events, tell about the events in the order in which they occurred, and provide a reaction to what happened.

### Science

\*Observe and communicate the effect of gravity on objects

\*Recognize that some things, such as airplanes and birds, can be found in the sky but also have the ability to return to Earth

Here is a great free app to practice letter and number formation.



Letter tracing done right

The perfect app to help kids learn handwriting