

## **October Newsletter**



Mrs. Hartwick – KB

September was a very busy month in Kindergarten B. The students are settling in well with the routines and procedures of our classroom.

The students have begun to explore some of the materials in our classroom and have enjoyed working and playing with building materials, play dough, art supplies, sensory bin materials, as well as many other things.

We have started our star student days and the children are very excited when it is their day to be the special helper and share. Please take note of your child's star student day on our classroom calendar. I am asking students this month to bring in an object that starts with the same letter as their first name. We have done a lot of name activities this month and students have been working on identifying their own names. Please have your child work with you to find this item and discuss the beginning sounds of words to find a matching item.

We have begun our letter of the week learning and students are doing an excellent job of being able to recognize the letter (upper and lower case), and the sound each letter makes. Along with the letter of the week, students have been practicing their shared reading poems. These poems will come home at the end of each week on Fridays. Please feel free to let your child highlight, underline and colour these poems. They are yours to practice and read together with your child. I ask that you please send the folders back the next week by Thursday, so that I can add the new poem each week.

Students have been working at counting, creating, identifying and ordering numbers up to ten. We will continue this learning as well as begin to learn more about shapes.

For the month of October, the students and staff of Oneida will be collecting <u>new socks</u> for the 'Socktober' drive. Socks are one of the least donated items and will be sent to local charity to help those in need. If you would like to donate socks and help your child's colour house team gain points, please send them to school with your child.

## **Dates to Remember**

Tues. Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> - PD day (No school for students)

Mon. Oct. 9th - Thanksgiving - No School

Wed. Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> − Picture Day! ©

Fri. Oct. 20th - October Book Orders Due

Tues. Oct. 31 - Black and Orange Day

- \* If you would like to be added to our remind app to keep up to date with the things happening in our classroom, please let me know in your child's agenda and I can send home the instructions again.
- \* The weather will be getting cooler shortly, so please make sure that your child is dressed appropriately. We are outside three times every day for outdoor learning/physical activity time.
- \* I know that the student's communication bags are looking a little rough. They have not held up like I thought they would. I am in the process of looking for an alternative to keep things safe between home and school but have not found anything yet. Please bear with me while I search for something new.

If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me through the remind app, your child's school agenda, at the school or through e-mail:

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