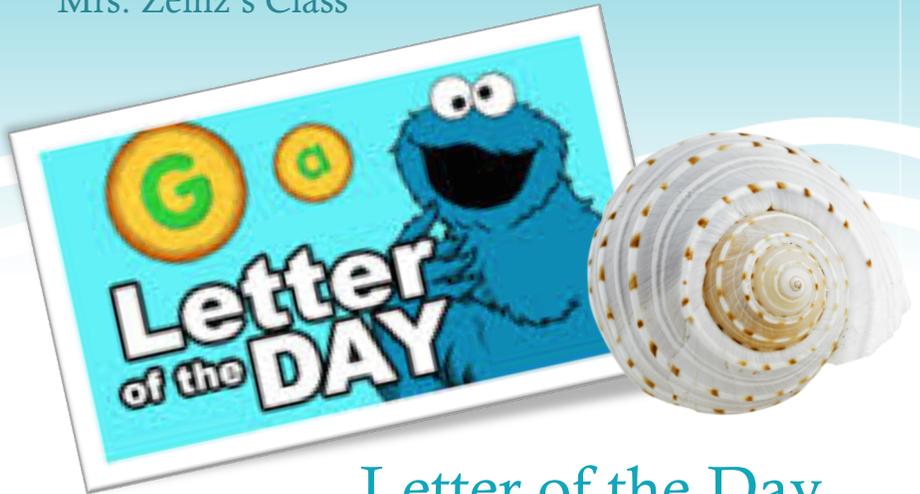


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Pre- K

Mrs. Zeinz's Class



Important Dates

June 29th - Pajama Day! The students can wear their pajamas to school in honor of the letter P!

July 30th - Wear Red, White, & Blue! In celebration of the 4th of July dress your child in patriotic colors.

July 4th - No school! Enjoy the holiday weekend!

July 7th - Silly Socks or Dad's Tie Day! Students can wear silly socks or their dad's tie to celebrate the letters S & T.

Letter of the Day

We have had so much fun learning and preparing for kindergarten over the last week. Each day we have been focusing on a different letter of the day. Here is what we have done so far.

D & E - The students wrote and illustrated a dinosaur book, wrote and practiced the letters D & E, and did a word hunt to find words that began with the letter D. We also created an eagle using the letter E and our handprints.

F & G - Students used their handprints to create a picture of a fish, we brainstormed words that would describe fish, and we practiced our handwriting. We also discussed the sounds that both of these letters make and did a sort to find words that do and don't start with the letter sounds. The sight word "the" was introduced to the students.

H & I - The students enjoyed celebrating the letter H by wearing their favorite hat! The students used a picture of themselves to create a silly hat on. We focused on our colors today and students had to write down a color word to describe their hat.

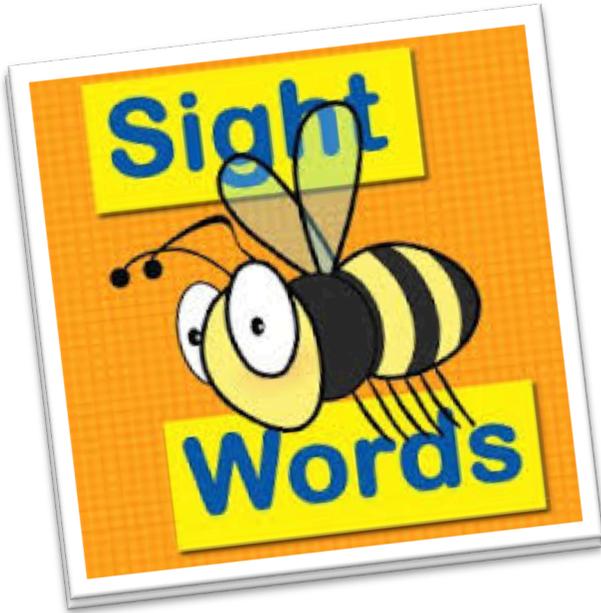
J & K - We again practiced our handwriting, found words that began with J and cut and glued them into our jackets. The sight word "to" was also introduced to the students through their guided reading book.

Sight Word Books

During our literacy centers, we have started to read sight word books. The students are doing a fantastic job recognizing these words. I love when I'm reading a book to them and they recognize one of the words we have learned. These sight words are words that the students should learn and know in Kindergarten. The words are called sight words because you can't necessarily sound out the words. A word like "the" cannot be sounded out. Please practice these books with your child at home. There are a few things to remember:

- Encourage your child to point to the words as they read. This helps ensure they are reading each word and not skipping any.
- Encourage them to look at the picture for help. We call this "Eagle Eye"
- Praise them for their successes

I know there are several students who know some of these words already, but I have enjoyed watching them read. For those who are just learning these words, they are doing a fantastic job!



Vacations & Missing School

We have the 4th of July quickly approaching. I just wanted to remind you that we don't have summer school on Monday July 4th. Classes will resume on the 5th.

Several of the students have mentioned that they are going on vacation soon. If you could do me a favor and email me when your child misses school, that will help me better plan for our day. This is most important if they will be missing more than one day.





