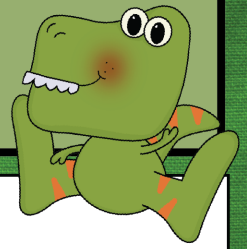


Mrs. Donovan's Weekly News

November 9, 2018



Greetings from our classroom...

It was wonderful to meet with so many of you this week at conferences. I enjoy talking about your amazing children! I look forward to seeing the rest of you next Tuesday. This class has really begun to feel like such a wonderful community. Please remember to contact me any time with questions or concerns.



Having Fun with Math!

This week we spent a lot of time practicing how to write the numerals 1-10. Number formation can be challenging for K friends but they are working hard. Dr. Price, our Math specialist, joined us this week to teach us fun rhymes to help recall how to form the numbers. Ask your children to show you how well they are doing with their numbers! 😊

This week in Literacy...

We studied the letters C and O this week. So far we have focused on nine letters: B,C,F,I,M,N,O,T, and U. The students are doing an excellent job practicing letter sounds, which is especially tricky with the vowels we are now learning. They are also doing well writing some of their lower case letters. This week the students did rainbow writing, using crayons to practice forming the lower case letters in their student notebooks. We also illustrated a story about Echo, the owl puppet we use in *Foundations*, as a whole class. The students are practicing being able to retell a story in the proper sequence, recalling what happened at the beginning, middle, and end.



Saying Thank You to our Veterans.

Today we read a story together entitled *Veterans: Heroes in Our Neighborhood*, and discussed why we celebrate Veterans' Day. The students decorated beautiful thank you coloring sheets and shared things they knew about what a veteran is and why we should be appreciative of their service. They did a wonderful job!

Science - Hermit Crab updates!

Two exciting things happened this week with our class pets, the hermit crabs. Shelly decided to change shells, which was something we had not experienced before. Then the next day we came in to discover that Flash had molted and was curled up in his shell regaining his strength. The students were able to examine the exoskeleton that Flash had shed in one of our magnifying jars. They were extremely impressed!

Reminders for Next Week:

- There is no school on Monday in observance of Veterans' Day. Have a safe and wonderful long weekend. Thank you to all of those who have served our country.
- We are looking forward next week to starting to talk about Thanksgiving and all of the things we are thankful for as well as learning about the Native American tribes that are part of our Massachusetts history.

