

Kindergarten News...September 16-20, 2019

Mrs. Moore's Class

This week we have accomplished a lot of fun things together. **We have...**

*been working on how to be Responsible, Respectful and Ready.

*been practicing recognizing and naming shapes.

(square, trapezoid, rectangle, rhombus, circle, triangle and hexagon)

*practiced drawing shapes.

*made a birthday graph.

*been counting how many syllables are in a word.

*been working on rhyming words.

*been reviewing letters F, G,H,I and J.

* learned the words to and the. Please keep the words I send home each week to practice.

*had book buddies with Miss Beerkicher's first grade class.

*had a fire drill. The students did a wonderful job!

*had our first celebration for earning 100 gold tokens. Super!

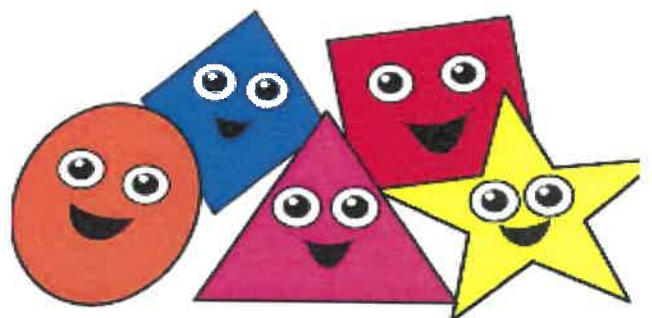
Dates to Remember :

October 1st PBIS Assembly-Wear Red!

October 3rd Field trip to Bures Berry Patch

October 4th Homecoming-Wear Red!

October 14th Early Release





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September 17, 2019

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Our school district, in partnership with the Mount Horeb Police Department, will continue to implement our Critical Incident Response (CIR) plan this school year. As you may recall if you are a returning family in our district, part of our CIR plan is the Run, Hide, Fight approach. These options-based approaches are tailored to active threat situations and provide those in charge of students the flexibility to improvise and adapt to a threat that is present. While no system is guaranteed to be perfect, Run, Hide, Fight empowers us with options beyond just locking the door and staying in classrooms. The Run, Hide, Fight protocol has already been adopted by numerous schools in Dane County, and it is recommended by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the U.S. Department of Justice, and the International Chiefs of Police.

Next week, your child will participate in an age-appropriate lesson. This lesson will introduce the Run and Hide options for responding during an emergency situation. To ensure that our lessons and safety strategies are age-appropriate we will not be teaching the Fight option at the elementary level. During this lesson, we will focus on the Run option and explain the difference between an on-campus evacuation and off-campus evacuation. This gives us two options for safety. On-campus evacuation is used in situations such as a building fire or chemical spill. Off-campus evacuation is used if there is a danger or threat to our school campus. During the second week in October, your child's class will practice an off-campus evacuation, and we will be walking to an off-campus location with our classes as a group. We want to stress that during our Run practice we will be walking, and it is meant to be non-threatening and similar to the on-campus evacuation. We will also continue to communicate with families and students so that no lesson or drill is confused with a real active threat situation.

Preparing our students for emergencies is basic, fundamental education. We already teach and practice fire, tornado, and evacuation drills. No one wants to contemplate something bad happening in our schools, but through responsible planning and training, we are able to respond to a crisis in order to better protect ourselves. Safer schools can only happen if we take action. Safety depends on our ability, our determination, and our commitment to make emergency preparedness a top priority. We encourage you to talk with your child about what they are learning so that we as a community can all be better prepared in the event of an emergency.

Sincerely,

Rachael Johnson
Early Learning Center/Primary Center Principal

Katie Hauge
Intermediate Principal

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Dear ELC/PC Families,

We are very excited that we will be able to watch the Mt. Horeb Viking Homecoming Parade on Friday, October 4, 2019! The parade will begin at approximately 2:45 PM, and all our students will be watching the parade. Kindergartners will be watching the parade from 2nd Street and first and second graders will be watching the parade from Academy Street.

In order to ensure a safe dismissal for ALL students, please complete the form below and return it to your child's teacher by Wednesday, October 2, 2019.

Please remember to send your child to school wearing his/her Mt. Horeb Viking **RED** on this day.

Thank You and Go Vikings –
Mrs. Johnson, Principal

*Please note: We will also be having a special Homecoming Pep Rally in the PC gym the morning of October 4 starting at 8:45 AM. Families are welcome to attend!



Child's Name: _____

_____ I will be picking up my child **BEFORE** the parade. He/She will **not** be attending the parade with the class. *(Please arrive at your child's school no later than 2:20 PM.)*

_____ I will be attending the parade with my child and his/her class. I will take him/her home with me after the parade.

_____ At the end of the school day, after the parade, my child will:
(Please check 1 of the 3 options below.)

_____ Be picked up at:
_____ ELC- In front by the Flagpole
_____ PC- By the Front Entrance

_____ Go to After School

_____ Ride the Bus

Parent Signature _____

Date _____