November/December







Our Unit 3 Theme is: Finding Friends

In this unit we use stories as a tool to illustrate some of the friendship issues that kindergartners struggle with. Our selection of narrative stories allow the children to have a model of how and why people act as they do as well as explore the worlds of story characters who set goals and experience challenges like themselves.





Goals of Unit 3 are to:

- Use pictures, print, and people to gather information about friendship
- Identify similarities and differences in literacy elements
- Regularly read picture stories independently and in group
- Re-tell and summarize stories that they have heard
- Learn that stories can be represented in various ways including print, speech, and pictures.
- Compose original stories

Information about Finding Friends and links to sites concerning friendship can be found at http://www.sra4kids.com/.



Classroom Literature for Unit 3:



- "<u>Big Al"</u>
- "Ginger"
- "The Lonely Prince"
- "Making Friends"
- "<u>Don't Need Friends</u>"





This month we will begin our State adopted Math curriculum Harcourt Math

Chapter 4 Counting & Writing Numbers 0-5: Students will understand how to use the one-to-one correspondence to count 0-5 objects. Practice writing their number the school way top to bottom, which will help reduce the amount of reversals in writing their numbers 2's, 3's, & 5's. They will also start recognizing number sight words one to five.

Vocabulary: one, two, three, four, five, more, less, same, how many?, count, match, one more, group, equal to

Chapter 5 Counting & Writing Numbers 6-10: Students will understand how to use the one-to-one correspondence to count 6-10 objects. Practice writing their number the school way top to bottom, which will help reduce the amount of reversals in writing their numbers 6's, 7's, & 9's. They will also start recognizing number sight words six to ten.

Vocabulary: six, seven, eight, nine, ten, more, less, same, how many?, count, match, one more, group, equal to



Students will be working on social interaction with classmates and peers within and throughout our community.

"Finding Friends" & "Caring" are our Social Studies themes for the November & December:



Writing letters to friends and people in the community

- · Thanksgiving Feast @ Wheatland Senior Citizen home
- · Classroom Friendship Feast

"Caring" is our Social Studies theme for the month of December:



- The children will learn that they can make a difference in the world. They can make someone else feel happy by caring and giving.
- I am asking children to donate a new or gently used gift that will go under our class tree. We will be giving these
- gifts to children who are less fortunate. Wheatland Fire department love donations of wrapping paper to wrap the unwrapped gifts.
- We will be making cards for the troops who are away from family and home. If
 you have an address, please put in your child notice folder so that we can make
 and send a card to that person or those troops. This is a great way for our
 class to give back to the troops who are giving up soooo much for us.



Through teaching the fine arts, the students will learn how to be good listeners, speakers, and develop their writing strategies, that will enable them to be successful community members.

Students will be studying Fall leaves:

- Sorting and discussing the various colors, sizes, and shapes
- Student will go on a nature walk to collect various leaves around our campus
- Student will be making animals out of leaves and various other projects with their imagination

Students will be studying Wild Turkeys:

- paint turkeys in computer lab, with their hands, and on big paper to stuff.
- labeling the parts of the turkey: head, feathers, caruncle, beak, and wattle.



Thanksgiving Pumpkin Fall Arrangement

- Make arrangement with 7th & 8th Grade Horticultural students
- Community Thanksgiving Feast & give Pumpkin Floral arrangement to Senior Citizens

Winter floral arrangements

- Make winter floral arrangement with 7th & 8th Grade Horticultural students
- Community Caroling at Donnor Trail Manor

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