

## What Wild Things Are Going on in K and 1?

9/30/24



**In Christ-light** this week we are learning about two miracles of Jesus. Our first lesson is Jesus Changes Water into Wine, and our second lesson is Jesus Heals the Official's Son. Both lessons show how Jesus used his almighty power to help people and teach them about faith. May we always put our trust in our Savior and go to him with all our worries!

**Memory Work** – New memory work calendars are coming home today for the month of October. Please be sure to keep it in a handy spot for reviewing and helping your child learn their assignment.

This week the **kindergarteners** are finishing our book about the letter Gg, and the fun Superkid dog named Golly. Toward the end of the week the children will be introduced to our next Superkid named Alf and the letter Aa. Alf loves to go on different adventures. He likes camping, too.

I recently did an assessment to see how high each student in kindergarten could accurately count. Most of the children did well saying their numbers to twelve, but once the children got into the teen numbers the majority of the children started getting mixed up. This is a skill we will continue to work on, with the ultimate goal of being able to count to 120 by the end of the school year. You can practice this at home or in the car, too. Have your child count to you when you are on the road, have your child count how many socks they find in the basket when you do laundry, or when you give them a snack have them count the number of crackers in their bag. We count every morning as part of our routine, but parents working individually with their child can work on correcting mistakes and making sure they say each number correctly with all the syllables.

### **Grade 1 Spelling**

#### **Pattern Words:**

fish  
wish  
rush  
brush

#### **Memory Words:**

I  
my  
she  
her  
he  
his

**In first grade** we are learning about the sound “sh” makes in a word. The class will be reading a story called, “The Patch-It-Up Shop” where Doc opens a shop to help others fix their toys, but instead finds all kinds of things to fix in her own shop. After we have read the story together a few times in class, the children will be bringing their book home to read it there, too. **When your child brings home the hardcover book to read, please make sure you send the book back to school.**

**The next first grade spelling test is on Friday, October 4.** Their list this week will have “sh” **Pattern Words** on it as well as some **Memory Words**. These are words that the students have to remember their spelling, since they don't follow the “sounding it out” rules we have learned so far. The Memory Words for this week are all pronouns.

**Fire Prevention Week:** October 7-11 is Fire Prevention Week here at school. We will be talking about fire safety in Social Studies, and will continue to learn about being safe. One topic we will cover is calling 911 for help, and what to say if you must call for help. This includes telling the dispatcher your home address. **Please work with your child to learn their full address** so they can get help if it is ever needed.

Along with learning about fire safety, we want to show our appreciation for the hard-working volunteer fire fighters we have in our community. **This year we are collecting donations of snacks, beverages, or other gifts to put together and present to our Grover-Porterfield firefighters.** Please consider helping by sending in a donation. You can send it in anytime this week. The idea of this care package is to let them know we appreciate all they do and to give them something special to fuel up after calls, during training, and between fire calls. A letter on yellow paper was sent home about this last week explaining this donation. If you would like to donate cash, there was an envelope attached to the letter. You can also shop on your own and send in your donation with your child. Thank you!

**Hot lunch** - Friday is our hot lunch day. Hot lunch this week is little pigs in a blanket. The meal costs \$2.00 and the money is brought in the morning on Friday. Your child can just give me the money when they come into the classroom. If your child prefers not to have hot lunch, that's totally fine. Just make sure to send a cold lunch for them.

**Field trip information** – Everything is booked for our field trip on **October 16**. The note with all the details about the trip went home last week. This is the plan for the day:

- 8:00am          Load onto the bus to drive to Fox Valley Lutheran High School in Appleton
- 9:30am          Enjoy the play, "Alice in Wonderland"
- 10:45am        Load onto the bus to drive to BerryLand in Abrams
- 12:00pm        Arrive at BerryLand, have picnic lunch, hayride, pick pumpkins, and explore the patch
- 2:00pm          Load bus and return to school

For those of you who are meeting us at BerryLand for the afternoon, you are welcome to take your child home directly from BerryLand. Once we get back to school we are not having any additional structured classes, so your child is free to go a little bit early and not miss out on lessons.

If you have not already done so, **please be sure to return the permission slip for the field trip by October 7.**

**School Website** – I upload our classroom's weekly note and the Memory Work Calendar onto the school's website: [www.stjohnpeshtigo.org/school](http://www.stjohnpeshtigo.org/school). You can find our classroom documents under the "Parent Resources" tab.

**Lunch Tip:** Pack a clean pair of children's scissors in your child's lunch bag so they can independently open the tricky items like Gogurts and fruit snacks. Then you can wash them like you do silverware at home.

Let's have a super week!

Mrs. Myslik