For the week of

November 5, 2018

**Pre -K News TalesTalesBowl**

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 Dear Parents, A Note from the Teachers

All we can say is November – WOW! Time is flying by. With the Holiday season around the corner, we have been talking about that we are thankful for. **We are thankful for all of our wonderful children that we have the pleasure of teaching**. All of them may not be perfect every day, but they all have wonderful qualities about them. Each one is special in their own way and we truly LOVE each and every one. Your children is the reason we come to work each day, the reason we can smile every morning, and usually the reason we go home tired everyday! But no matter how tired we get, how defeated we feel, we always know that tomorrow will be a better day, because that’s what your children bring to our lives.

Try taking a few minutes to talk to your child about what it means to be **thankful**. Come up with one thing each day that you as a family are thankful for. It does not have to be huge but something meaningful. We also have a thankful pumpkin in our room that we will be adding words of things that we are thankful for.

**Number of the day:**

Each day we will focus on a number. We will discuss the correct way to write the number. We will also be matching that number to a set of objects

**Skills of the Week:**

**ELA** - Notices and discriminates alliteration(Words that begin with the same sounds) We review beginning sounds every day. We also listen to several internet videos that teach beginning sounds. Check out some of these links:

Sounds like fun: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U3S3OX6HQm4>

The letter sound Song:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pyKdUpJQBTY>

Letter Sounds Song

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qy1Kmt9sMOA>

What sound does January start with? /j/

What sound does Wednesday start with? /w/

Say mat - What sound does mat start with? /m/

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What is another word that starts with the same sound as mat? Mouse, mother, mop, map

**Math** – Identify and name at least the four basic shapes (rectangle, square, circle, and triangle) using different sizes and in different orientations.

**Grandparent’s Day RSVP’s**

Please send the RSVP for the grandparent reservation form. We need to know how many grandparents are attending to make sure we have enough refreshments. Indicate the #of households.

**Ex 2 grandparents attending – 1 household because they live together.**

Quote of the week:

The child supplies the power but the parents have to do the steering.

 -Benjamin Spock

**Our New Unit : Community Helpers**

From family and friends, the world of young children rapidly expands to include the broader communities in which they live. That world includes a range of community workers- the clerks who work in the stores where they shop with family members; the mail carriers who bring letters, cards, and packages; the veterinarians who help keep the family pets healthy; the firefighters and police officers that they see in their neighborhoods, and of course us, their teachers. Although the children may begin to recognize different workers and to associate them with certain clothing and tools, they may only have vague understanding of what they do and how they provide services that make communities better places to live.

The purpose of our new unit is to help children think about the community workers who help them in a variety of ways.

\*\*\*If you are someone who you know has a job as a community worker and would like to come share your knowledge and experience with the class please send us a note so we can get in contact with you. \*\*\*\*