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All-Star News

Off to a Great Start

Dear All-Star Parents,

We have been working really hard so far and I know that we will continue to do a great job learning this year. I appreciate all of the support that you give your child and I hope that you will continue to help them grow. Below are a list of helpful activities to help your child succeed outside of the classroom.

• Spelling-

Please have your All-Star practice everyday his or her spelling words. It not only helps them expand their vocabulary, but it will help them in their writings as well.

• Math:

A good way to reinforce addition fact and subtrac-

tion facts at home is this simple card game. Simple take a deck of cards and remove all of the "face" cards from the deck so you only have cards with numbers on them. Then divide the card pill up evenly between you and your All-Star. Finally have you and your All-Star each flip one card over at the same time and either add or subtract the number, whichever type of problems you are working on. Whoever savs the "sum" or "difference" first, gets the cards. Play until all the cards are won either by you or your All-Star. In the event of a tie,

Reading:

Please remember to have your All-Star <u>read every</u> <u>night</u> It doesn't matter for how long they read, as long as they are reading out loud. This is a very important year for your child and it is imperative that they continue to develop their reading fluency, accuracy, and comprehension.

Reminder:

- Please continue to bring in a healthy snack for your child. Since the weather is getting colder, we need to continue to eat healthy due to not having as much exercise outside. Thank you.
- Also Please remember to save box tops and Campbell soup labels for class. This helps to raise money for our school.

THANK YOU TO:

Direct Office Buys for our new pencil sharpener and some other school supplies. The All-Star Class is grateful for them.

TECHNOLOGY

During our Daily 5 time in math and lang. arts, your all-star may bring in their personal technology device to use in a center or on their own. They will be used as an educational *tool, not a toy*.

If they do bring them in, make sure that you have signed the technology form that was sent out at the beginning of the school year. If you need a new one, please contact the office.

Also, please

remind your child that these are to be used as a tool, not just for fun. They can use any educational math apps or lang. arts apps that are grade level appropriate. Thanks VOLUME 11, ISSUE 2

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SNACKS

Thank you to all of the parents who have donated snacks to those who have forgotten them at snack time. We really appreciate it. If you have any more to donate, out class would greatly appreciate it.



THIS MONTH IN CLASS

- <u>Science:</u> Looking at plants and life cycles.
- Lang. Arts: Learning about subjects, predicates, nouns, verbs, and adjectives. Also learning and re-enforcing our reading skills.
- Writing: Learning how to write a narrative. Also learning about the genre realistic fiction and nonfiction.
- Social Studies: Learning about our communities.