September 22, 2017

Dear TK Parents,

This week we continued our Friends and Family Unit.

In math, we reviewed the pattern sequence ABAB and learned two new pattern types: AABB and ABC using movements and manipulatives.

In literacy, we read an apple poem and began to identify rhyming words. We identified beginning sounds in words. We reviewed the features of a sentence: a sentence begins with a capital letter and ends with punctuation. We worked on adding details to our drawings by first drawing the characters and then drawing the setting. We followed step by step directions on how to draw an apple. We reviewed the sight words: red, blue, I, like, to, the it, is, a.

In science, we explored our sense of taste by having an apple taste test. We made a graph to see who liked which apple and which apple was the most or least liked. Ask your child which apple s/he preferred.

In our social skills lessons, we reviewed the vocabulary word cooperation. We practiced cooperating with others by asking to join in to the play, taking turns and sharing.

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We had 4th grade reading buddies on Tuesday. On Wednesday, we had Technology with Mr. Rob in which we are using K’nex and library with Ms. Vargas. We had our first mystery reader, Kimberly, Vince’s mom, on Thursday. On Thursday and Friday, we had P.E. with Coach F. On Friday, we had music class with Ms. Gonazalez. (Music class will now be every Wednesday beginning next week).

We also celebrated Riley’s and Beau’s birthdays and had a great time.

Thank you to those parents who have signed up and come in to help with technology, cleaning, and science. Remember you do need to get a TB test and bring the forms to the office before you volunteer. Also, before you enter the classroom, you must first sign in at the office.

It was a stupendous week!

**Birthdays Next Week:**

Jayden- September 30th

**Announcements:**

1. **Homework:**
	1. *Show and Tell:* This week’s letter is the Letter Mm. Please look around your house with your child and have your child bring one small item or picture on Thursday, September 28th that begins with the letter “m” such as a monkey, a mat, or a man ☺.
	2. *Reading Log:* Read for 15-20 minutes every day. This reading log, which your child colors for each book read in the month of September and you as the parents sign, is due on Friday, September 29th. Please put this in your child’s purple folder the night before. If you would like an extra one or happen to lose the one that you have, you can go to the section: Home/School Connection on the classroom website: mrsbtk.weebly.com, download the form and print it out.
	3. Bring back your library book on Wednesday, October 4th if you haven’t done so already. This is our next library time.
2. **Scholastic Reading:** September book orders are due on September 30th. If you would like to order, please go online to <https://clubs.scholastic.com/home> and enter our Class Activation Code: NTZNM. Remember, these orders help us earn free books and resources for our classroom. I will only place the class order on September 30th.
3. **FOWHE:** Please sign up for the FOWHE Wizard Wire at <http://www.fowhe.org/home/parent-info/newsletter/>. They send updates and useful information that is going on at the school right to your mailbox. Their website is: <http://www.fowhe.org/home/> if you need any other information.

Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns via email: benyaminy@westhollywoodelementary.net.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Benyaminy