September 8, 2017

Dear TK Parents,

It was wonderful seeing everyone for Back to School Night. If you didn’t make it, please see me for the Back to School Night Packet I handed out that evening.

This week we finished our All About Me unit. Everyone finished presenting their All About Me projects.

In math, we worked on “same” and “different”. We played a movement game which practiced this skill. We also learned that ovals are similar to circles because they don’t have any corners, but they are different because one side of an oval is longer and it also looks like an egg.

In literacy, we learned the poem Humpty Dumpty (since Humpty Dumpty is an oval) and created our own Humpty Dumpty that we tried to put together again. These are hanging up inside the classroom. We reviewed the sight words: like, I, to, the.

In science, we learned a new vocabulary term: prediction. We will continue to use this vocabulary term throughout the year in science. In this science experiment, we used three ingredients: baking soda, vinegar, and food coloring to mix colors and create fizz. We discussed the reaction between baking soda and vinegar and also which two primary colors create a secondary color. They learned that scientists explore and ask questions to discover new results.

In our social skills lessons, we used turn and talk many times. We also learned all about how important it is for everyone to be respectful of each other’s personal space. We also discussed how to be a good friend: how to show concern and invite someone to play.

We had 4th grade reading buddies on Tuesday. On Wednesday, we had Technology with Mr. Rob in which we are using Kinex. On Friday, we had Picture Day. On Thursday and Friday, we had P.E. with Coach F..

We also celebrated Chella’s, Griffin’s, and Maxwell’s birthday and had a great time.

It was a great week!

**Birthdays Next Week:**

Sophie- September 9th

Alexa- September 9th

**Announcements:**

1. **Homework:** 
   1. *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.
2. Jayden’s birthday party invitations went home today in your child’s purple folder. I found one on the floor which must have fallen out of someone’s purple folder. If your child did not get one, please let me know.
3. **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.
4. **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.
5. **Art:** I unfortunately forgot the list of Art at school and will send the list to you on Monday. Thank you for your patience.

Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns via email: [benyaminy@westhollywoodelementary.net](mailto:benyaminy@westhollywoodelementary.net).

Sincerely,

Mrs. Benyaminy