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# Peek at the Week

November 13-19, 2019

Hello pre-k families - Winter weather is in full swing and we feel the impact of the cold during our recess time! I have many extra pairs of gloves and mittens that I am more than happy to loan to your children, but the hope is that they will begin bringing their own mittens and hats to wear. We go outside every day (unless the temperature or wind-chill is below zero) so please make sure your child has everything they need for playing outside in the cold weather.

If your child wears snow boots to school please send shoes in their backpacks for them to wear during the school day. It is very difficult to sit 'crisscross applesauce' on their carpet squares with big bulky snow boots on their feet, plus wet boots lead to a wet classroom, which we would like to avoid.

Now that we have started visiting the library weekly, please remember to return your child's library book to school the day before library day to ensure they are allowed to check out a new book. If you forget, feel free to send it back on library day or as soon as possible, just know that it makes things easier for the teachers if they are returned ahead of time

Homework #5 - Retelling a Story - is coming home today. Working with your child on retelling a story practices many important cognitive (thinking) and literacy (reading) skills that they will need in kindergarten and throughout their future school career.

## This week we...

- Are excited about Grownup Drop-in day next Tuesday, November 19
  - Please complete and return the bottom half of the invitation coming home today so we know about how many grownups to expect on Tuesday.
- Will continue to explore magnetism in the discovery center
- Will work to identify feelings and emotions
- Will practice empathy and other important social emotional skills while caring for the baby dolls in the 'nursery' in the pretend center

## Try it at Home:

- Identify feelings of characters in books and people on TV - "She looks mad because..."; "I can see he is happy, I know because..."
- Read your child's library book to them and with them, and then let them "read" it to you too!

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## Reminders:

- Tuesday, November 19 → Grownup Drop-in Day
  - Come spend the last hour of class with your child and see what he/she is doing in preschool. Please complete and return the bottom half of the included invitation so we know about how many grownups to expect on Tuesday, or you can RSVP by sending me a message on REMIND too.
- We play outside for 15-20 minutes EVERY day (unless it's below zero)
  - Please be sure to send your child to school wearing a winter jacket, mittens/gloves and a hat daily.
- Homework #5 - Retell a Story - comes home today
  - Working with your child on retelling a story practices many important cognitive (thinking) and literacy (reading) skills that they will need in kindergarten and throughout their future school career. Also remember to return the pink sheet to school when you finish.
- Return library books the day BEFORE the next library day.
  - Having books returned ahead of time helps to ensure that your child's book is not forgotten in his/her backpack on library day, and allows them to take a new one home.

## This week we...

- Are excited about Grownup Drop-in day next Tuesday, November 19
- Will work to identify feelings and emotions in others and ourselves
- Visit the library on Friday
- Will practice empathy and other important social emotional skills while caring for baby dolls, as our pretend center will transform into a nursery beginning on Monday, November 18

## Try it at Home:

- Identify feelings of characters in books and people on TV - "She looks mad because..."; "I can see he is happy, I know because..."
- Read your child's library book to them and with them, and then let them "read" it to you too!
- Continue having your child get ready independently - the more quickly they can get ready at school, the longer we can play outside.