



## **Mrs. Brown's Class**

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### **Weekly News**

September 9-13

## **Books / Fingerplays**

Understand and Care by Cheri Meiners

If you Take a Mouse to School by Laura Numeroff

Pete the Cat Rocking in My School Shoes by Eric Litwin

Higglety, Pigglety Bumblebee

Number 1, Touch Your Tongue

## **Bible Story (with Mrs. Mullen)**

Lions – This week's Bible story is "Jesus Makes a Little Boy Well". Jesus healed the little boy in the Bible story and he heals us when we are sick, too! He also helps us stay healthy by providing us with doctors and medicine. The children will talk about how to stay healthy by eating nutritious foods and getting plenty of sleep, at least ten hours!

Alligators / Whales - This week's Bible Story is "God Creates Man and Woman". The children will not only learn about how God made Adam and Eve, but also about how He made each of us special, too. They will see how God made each part of their bodies to work in just the right way. They will also learn about the beautiful garden God made for Adam and Eve. God provides food for us, too, and the children will have an opportunity to try out different types of food that God provides for us in our gardens. Do you have food from your garden that you can share with the class? If you are able, children in the Alligators and Whales groups may bring something from their gardens to share on Friday. (Don't worry if you don't have anything to share. We will make sure there is enough for everyone to try something.)

## **Music**

Our new songs for the week will be "Jesus Loves Me", "I Am So Glad That Jesus Loves Me", and "Good King Alexander/Good Queen Isabella". As they sing this song, they will be practicing using different voices, including singing, speaking, shouting, and whispering.

## Circle Time

### Activities:

- Visit with senior friends from the Meadows – We have some special friends that will be coming to spend time with the children at school. They will be having fun, fellowship, and a snack, and will be playing Bingo together. (W)
- Read the book, Let's Read! By Tara West. Pip the Pup will help teach the children about our classroom library. The children will also read Forest Friends by Kathryn Warner. Ask your child about this very sad book with a happy ending! In it, the children learn about how to take care of books. Finally, they will learn about the three ways to read a book. What a fun thing to know how to read a book even if they can't read the words yet! (A, L, W)
- Listen to the Scissor Poem, by Tara West. The children will learn about the proper way to use scissors and practice what they've learned as they cut rainbow confetti. (A, L, W)
- Name mats – We will be discussing the letters we see in the children's names as they use mini erasers to cover the letters on their name mats. Once they are finished, they will use q-tips to paint the letters in their names. (A, W)
- ABC Centers – The children will build letters using the snap cubes and linking chains. They will especially focus on the letters in their names, as those are often the most meaningful to them as they begin to learn their letters. (W)

## Sign-In/Out

Please be sure to sign your child in and out of preschool every day, remembering to sign both the time and your signature. The only exception would be if you drop off your child in the gym before 8:00 a.m. Any children in the gym at that time will be picked up by Mrs. Brown and signed in by her when they enter the classroom. This week Mrs. Mullen and Mrs. Brown will be taking turns supervising the preschoolers that arrive before 8:00 a.m. in the gym, so if you don't see Mrs. Brown, your child can sit in the normal preschool meeting spot in the gym and read books quietly until 8:00 a.m. Next week you may not see Mrs. Brown or Mrs. Mullen in the gym before 8:00 a.m., as they will join in the faculty rotation of supervising students in the gym. This allows them time to join in on the morning faculty devotion most days as they prepare their hearts and minds to teach God's little ones. Please remember to make sure there is a teacher present in the gym before leaving your child.

Also, please remember that any person that is picking up your child for the first time and hasn't previously met Mrs. Brown will be asked to show his I.D. to be cross-checked with the

pick-up information you provided on your child's registration forms. Thanks for your cooperation!

## **Creation Station**

You may have seen a few creations come home in your child's backpack this past week as they started to work in the creation station. You may want to ask your child about his creations. What might be unrecognizable to us is often a prized treasure for the children! Please continue to save empty toilet paper rolls, paper towel rolls, tape rolls, etc. and bring them in for us to add to the creation station as they get used quickly.

## **Seesaw App**

Please make sure you have connected to your child's class in the Seesaw app if you have not already done so. I have already uploaded some pictures of our first week together. This is also an excellent tool for communicating messages to me about any questions or concerns regarding your child. These are sent directly to my e-mail through Seesaw so I won't miss them. I have put another QR code paper in the mailboxes of all families that are not yet connected, in case the first one was misplaced.

## **No Peanuts/Peanut Butter/Tree Nuts**

As you pack your child's snack, please remember there are **no peanuts, peanut butter, or tree nuts allowed in our classroom**. Foods manufactured in the same place as these things are acceptable.

## **Contacting Mrs. Brown**

If you need to contact me during school hours with a time-sensitive message, please call the school and leave a message with the secretary, Mrs. Leuthold. Our class gets busy and sometimes I miss messages on my phone, but Mrs. Leuthold will be sure to get your messages to me during the school day. Feel free to call and leave a message on my phone if it is something I can get back to you about after the school day is finished.

## **Thank You, Mrs. Kraemer**

If you see our special volunteer helper for the Lions class, Mrs. Kraemer, please be sure to tell her a big thank-you! The children have enjoyed having her help us these first two weeks of school as they learn new school routines.

## **Scholastic Weekly Readers**

This week your child will begin to bring home his Scholastic Weekly Readers. We will be reading through these together at school and they are fun to read again and talk about at home, too. Feel free to complete any of the activities that we don't get to in class, at home, as these are yours to keep!

## **Book Orders**

Book orders are being sent home this week and are due back this Friday, September 13. Ordering online is also easy and convenient. You may use the code **J8W63**. My husband and I share a Scholastic account, so if you see Mr. Brown's class listed, you are in the right place.

## **Chapel**

Our Alligators will be going to chapel on Wednesday mornings starting this week. Your child is welcome to bring an offering, if you wish. This semester all the money collected will be given to Calvary Academy in Florida, which is a school for troubled children. What a special thing to be able to share our money to help fund the school that will help them learn more about Jesus and the love He has for them!

## **School Supplies**

Thanks to all of you for bringing in the supplies we need for our classroom! We should be set for quite a while!

## **Text Messaging System**

Please let Mrs. Brown know if you are not receiving the Powerschool texts. You should have received two texts on Friday that begin with the letters stpls. It is very important that you are receiving these texts as that is how we communicate with you regarding school cancellations and other important events. Thanks!

**Jesus Loves the  
Little Children!**

