

Mrs. Smith's Smidgens

Friday, Jan. 6th, 2023

Phonograms

Jan. 5th

No new phonograms taught.
We reviewed all taught phonograms.

To Be Taught

Jan. 9th-12th

"or, the only phonogram that is a word"
"ck, 2 letter",
"wh, the whisper phonogram"
"ed" (with 3 sounds!)

Thank You . . . Again!

Thank you to every student and family who blessed me with a Christmas gift. I feel very loved! Unfortunately, a few gift bags lost their tag. So if your child did not receive a thank you card on Thursday, Jan. 5th and they did bring me a gift, please email me, tell me what the gift was, and I will get a thank you card to them ASAP.

Sound in a Sack

"k"

Parents, please make sure your child chooses an item that begins with the letter "k" and not "c". The sound is the same as the 1st sound of "c" and that will be pointed out in class next week. You can share this with your child as well if they find an object that begins with "c" instead of "k". Since it's a new year and almost 2nd Semester, I'd love for my students to begin to write their own clues. They can copy an adult's writing or you can help them spell the words. This can be great handwriting, segmenting (sounding out), and spelling practice!

Spelling Test

Our first spelling test will be Thurs., Jan. 12th. It will have 5 words. We will have focused practice on those 5 spelling words during the week. Proper TCA handwriting will be expected. Any handwriting errors will be marked. Next week's spelling test will include: me, do, and, go, at. A handwritten list of these phonograms and spelling words is found on Page 3 with next week's phonograms.

Math Concepts this Past Week

* Count Ten and Some More

Looking Ahead to Next Week

- * Two Ways to Count
- * Numbers 16 to 20
- * Number Words 0 to 10
- * Number Words 11 to 15

Phonogram Test

Our first written phonogram test of 2023 will be Thurs., Jan. 12th. The 5 phonograms will be: oo, ch, ar, ay (2 letter), and ai, not used. The handwritten list is on Page 3. We will begin using a new type of handwriting paper for this test. A blank page of this new handwriting paper is found on Page 4 of this newsletter so you can print at home for practicing.

Core Knowledge

Next week we wrap up magnets as well as have a quick study of the Wright Brothers and flight.

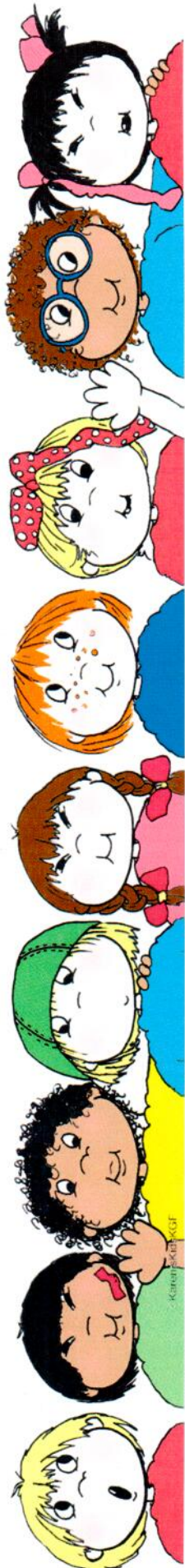
Last Week's Read-Aloud Book

Magnets:

Pulling Together, Pushing Apart
By Natalie Rosinsky

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon., Jan. 9th: Written List of Phonograms and Spelling Words for Thursday's Test Go Home in Backpacks

Wed., Jan. 11th: Students Return Baggie Books (if not already returned) Please be sure to complete the Reading Log which was included in the baggie.

Thurs., Jan. 12th: Phonogram Test and First Spelling Test
See details on Page 1.

Thurs., Jan. 12th: Students Return Library Book (if not already returned)

Thurs., Jan. 12th: New Baggie Books Go Home

Fri., Jan. 13th: DIBELS Testing

This will be only for students who did not test on Fri., Jan, 6th. You will receive a reminder email from SignUp.com if you left an email address at the time of your sign up.

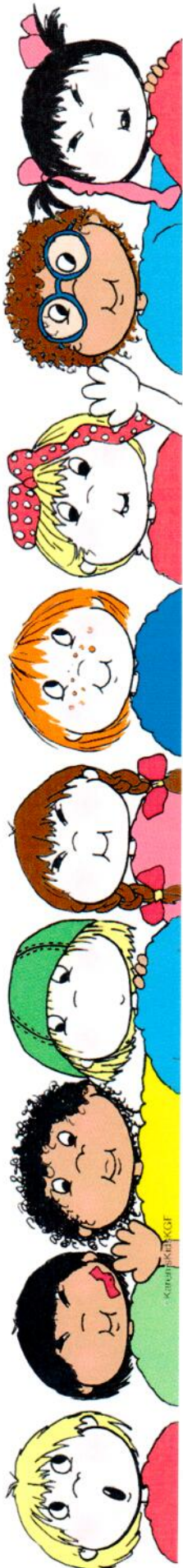
Fri., Jan. 13th: End of 1st Semester

Mon., Jan. 16th: NO SCHOOL Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Tues., Jan. 17th: Beginning of 2nd Semester

Mon., Jan. 23rd: 1st Semester Report Cards Go Home

Thurs., Feb. 2nd: Vision and Hearing Screening



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Mrs. Smith

1/12/2023

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Date

Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed midline, repeated 15 times.