

# Newsletter

April, 2018

## Pine Class



*The greatest sign of success of a teacher is to be able to say, the children are now working as if I did not exist. – Maria Montessori*

Our Kindergartners will work on poetry, and fiction literature (Pretty Butterfly, The Very Hungry Caterpillar, From Caterpillar to Butterfly, Little Fish, Journeys Lesson 17: Nature All Around, Journeys Lesson 18: Oceans and Waterways).

Our first graders will work on Conclusions, Storytelling Phrases, Sequence of Events, (Journeys Lesson 22: Amazing Animals and The Ugly Duckling; Journeys Lesson 24: A Tree is a Plant and Grow Apples Grow)

Our Kinderdergartners and 1<sup>st</sup> graders will continue reading and building words using our Montessori Materials; Moveable Alphabet & Waseca Towers.



### Math Curriculum:

Our first graders will start learning about time; parts of a clock (hands, numbers, etc.), telling time to the hour using digital and analog clock and addition/subtraction word problems.

Our Kindergartners will start learning about subtraction using our Montessori golden bead materials, subtraction memorization as well as learning the parts of a clock (hands, numbers, etc.), telling time to the hour using digital and analog clock



### Writing Curriculum:

Our Kindergartners continue expanding their knowledge with our WriteSteps Writing Curriculum; Research Writing and Revising.

Our First graders will continue working with informative writing and opinionated writing.

**Science:**

Our Kindergarteners will work on Montessori Lessons: Mammal/Parts of a Horse, Earth Week- Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Studies Weekly: Week 3: Life Science- Animals, Week 5: Life Science: Living Things Grow.

Our First Graders will work on Montessori Lessons: Mammals/Parts of a Horse, Mammals/ Parts of the Human Body, Earth Week: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Social Studies: Week 4: Our Bodies, Week 3: Life Science: Animals, Week 9: Life Science: Share the Earth.



**Social Studies:**

Our Kindergarteners will work on Studies Weekly: Week 11: Time Lines, Week 12: Needs and Wants, Week 28: Consumers and Producers. Week 29: Jobs People Do, Montessori Lesson: Time Line of the Day.

Our First graders will work on Studies Weekly: Week 17 Who's in Charge, Week 23: Rights and Responsibilities, and Week 22: Presidents and Patriots, Week 21: American Monuments.



**Spelling – First Graders ONLY!**

Please continue helping our 1<sup>st</sup> graders with their spelling list every week.

**“Never help a child with a task at which he feels he can succeed.” – Maria Montessori.**

**Reminders:**

- Coming on TIME is crucial for our students; please arrive at school on time.
- Please check and empty folders daily.
- Return all important papers as soon as you can.
- Please remember to pack a small bottle of water for your child.
- Remember to call with any questions or concerns you may have.
- Please practice the sight words list every day.
- Complete the I-Ready assignments as follows:  
M/W: Reading 30 min.  
T/TH: Math 30 min.

**Contact your teachers ☺**

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