

# Gale-Bailey Elementary School Kindergarten News

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## Fourth Quarter is Here!

March 26<sup>th</sup> was the beginning of the fourth quarter. Our next report card will be sent home on Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. After reviewing your child's report card, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact your child's teacher to set-up a conference.

## Literacy

In reading, we are continuing to work on sight words, beginning/ending sounds, phonemic awareness, rhyming and writing sentences.

### Important Dates:

April 4<sup>th</sup>- Back to school

April 9<sup>th</sup>- Report cards distributed

April 13<sup>th</sup>- Field Trip to Nature Center

April 20<sup>th</sup>- Awards Assembly and afterward Kindergarten Pastries with Parents

April 25<sup>th</sup>- 2 Hour Early Dismissal

**At Home Tip:** You can keep a journal at home to help your child become a successful writer.

Remember to read daily. This helps to foster a love of reading. Also, this can help your child's vocabulary and imagination.

Encourage your child to read for 10-15 minutes before going to bed.

### At Home Tips When Reading:

#### Before reading:

- Have your child predict what the story will be about
- Make a connection with the setting and /or characters
  - Have you ever been to the beach, mall, etc.
  - Are the characters real?

#### During reading:

- Encourage your child to
  - Find sight words that are found within the text
  - Point to
    - 1 and 2 letters
    - 1 and 2 words
    - The first and last letter of a word
    - The punctuation marks

#### After reading:

- Have your child check his/her predictions
- Ask what their favorite part was and why
- Ask your child if he/she would do anything different if they were in the story
- Ask your child questions about the story that requires more than a yes or no answer (these are higher order thinking questions)

## This Month's Theme

- ◆ Taking Care of the Earth
- ◆ Spring is Here



## Our Supplies are running low!

We are in need of the following items to replenish our dwindling supplies:

- ◆ Glue Sticks
- ◆ Crayons

## Math News

We just wrapped up learning about equations. Our goals for this unit were for all kindergarteners to be able to:

- Count orally to 80
- Write and recognize numbers 0-20
- Count a set of up to 20 objects
- Fluently add and subtract number combinations to 5.
- Solve Addition and subtraction story problems by using objects or drawings.

## Save the Date

- Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup> - Kindergarten Field Trip to Clearwater Nature Center
- Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>- Kindergarten Field Trip to Blue Crabs Baseball Game
- Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> - Kindergarten Field Trip to the National Zoo
- Kindergarten's End of the Year Program-Date TBD (Be on the lookout for more information coming soon!)

## Donations

Thank you so much for all of the donations throughout the school year! We couldn't plan for the fun things that we do if we didn't have your support!

You rock!

GBES K Team