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 September 20, 2013

Look at what we’re studying

During writing time we have been working on narratives. We are writing stories about events that happened to us. We are working on putting spaces between words, sounding out words to spell, and putting a period at the end. During reading time we have been learning about our new Reading Rotations centers. We learned about Starfall on the computer and how to use the listening station. We are continuing to work on our stamina…. we are at 7 minutes of reading independently. Our book buddies in Dr. Van Buerdan’s class will be partner reading with us today. Our math time has been spent working on recognizing 3D shapes, known as solids (sphere, cylinder, cube, cone, pyramid, rectangular prism) and beginning our patterning unit. We have been busy continuing patterns, creating our own patterns, finding the missing pattern piece, and labeling (renaming) our patterns. In word study we have been working on the letters, F and M. We sorted letters according to uppercase and lowercase and made letters with playdough. In social studies we interviewed Mrs. Ledford and Mrs. Henry. We are learning to ask questions to gain information. It has been a busy week and we finally spelled STARLING on Thursday. Starbucks are given when we are caught making EXCELLENT choices as a class. It has been hard for us to earn these Starbucks due to our choices, but we worked together and WE DID IT! We have celebrated many birthdays and are enjoying the slightly cooler weather. I am going to copy this newsletter due to many folks saying that they are not getting the newsletter. Please write your email in your child’s agenda for Monday… I will re-enter the emails and we will see if we can’t update everyone. It is important that we go paperless. Thank you for your help! Mrs. Yochem, the counselor, came to our class today too! Happy weekend!!

Mark Your Calendar

**9/23-9/27** Book Fair (Our class is scheduled for September 24th from 11:30- 12)

**9/24** Fall pictures (We are scheduled for 8:45)

**9/25 & 9/26** Early Release days (Don’t forget to sign up for a conference time!)

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our code is :OHB18014

Be sure to check out the Starling Website at:

<http://www.gwinnett.k12.ga.us/StarlingES/home.html>

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 Specials

9/23-art

9/24- gym

9/25- no specials

9/26- gym

9/27- gym

Early Release:

Make sure you let me know if there are any transportation changes during conferences. YOUR child is to attend the conference with YOU! See you next week!

AKS Highlights and Suggestions For At Home Practice

Math

\*Identify, create, extend and transfer patterns from one representation to another using calendars, actions, objects and geometric shapes.

\*Classify objects into given categories; count the numbers of objects in each category and sort the categories by count.

\*Name shapes correctly regardless of their orientations or size.

Language Arts

\* Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print.

a. Follow words from left to right, top to bottom, and page-by-page.

b. Recognize that spoken words are represented in written language by specific sequences of letters.

\* Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about kindergarten topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups.

\* Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events, tell about the events in the order in which they occurred, and provide a reaction to what happened.

Social Studies

\*Character Traits**-** honesty, patriotism, loyalty, courtesy, respect, truth, pride, self-control, moderation, accomplishment

 Science

 \*Explore the forces that cause a change in motion (speed and direction, push and pull)

\* Sort objects into categories according to their motion (straight, zigzag, round and round, back and forth, fast and slow, and motionless)

\* Push, pull and roll common objects and describe their motions

