





Sunshine & Smiles

This & That...



I want to send a personal thank you out to everyone who sent out their thoughts to the Dwyer family this past week. While they are an amazingly strong family, I know that all of your well wishes were much appreciated. Little Violet is strong and seems to be on the road to recovery. Thank you again.

The kids are doing such a wonderful job learning this new reading program. I must admit, the writing portion of the program is one of the most thorough and at the same time, the most challenging. They are amazing little writers! Now, I am not talking about their handwriting, I am talking about their actual writing. Inventive spelling is something that the kids are great at! Their handwriting is a bit of a different story. Gone are the days of actually having "penmanship" class. We do introduce the correct formation and now it is time to really encourage them to work on their formation, spacing, and all that goes with that.

<i>Important Happenings...</i>	
Feb. 10	NO SCHOOL Teacher Collaboration Day
Feb. 15/16	Evening Parent/Teacher Conferences (see back)
Feb. 17	NO SCHOOL
Feb. 20	NO SCHOOL
Feb. 23	KDG Musical/Art Show/ Ms. Minshull's Class Open House
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Ms. Minshull's Kindergarten

January 30, 2012



Parent/Teacher conferences are coming up in a couple of weeks. Please check the back of this note to see if your scheduled time from 1st Quarter still works for you. If not, please let me know as soon as possible. I know that we can find a different time to talk. With only 13 conferences, I can be very flexible. It will be our last "official" talk before the end of the year.

We also have our Valentine's Day party quickly approaching! I am also putting our class list on this note. Each child should be encouraged to write their classmates names on the valentines and sign each one as well! We will decorate a little "pouch" in class to use for distributing. Thank you.



The kids finished their math unit on the numbers 12-20. Having said that, I must say that I want them to continue to work on their "teens". We still have a lot of number reversals. We are getting ready to start the "Number Club". This is an individualized program where the child will practice writing their numbers every day. After three consecutive days with one or fewer errors, they move to the next level. This begins with 10 and moves through the numbers all the way to 100. It is fun for the kids, and it is their own challenge to do their best.

The children will continue to practice oral reading fluency at home during the week. Thank you for taking a few minutes a couple of times a week to listen to your child read a book.





Calling All Parents:

We only have one person signed up to bring something for our party.
 Please send a note and let me know if you can contribute.
 We will not be having a game that day because we will take
 this time to open and read our cards.
 I would love to have lots of help that day,
 helping the kids read their cards.

Plates/Napkins (14)	Emmie Hurd
Juice Boxes (14)	Drew Runyon
Treats (14)	Weston Leach
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Take Home Bags (14)	Allee Darnell

Ms. Minshull's Valentines		
Allee	Chase	Miss Michelle
Lydia	Calvin	Miss Janell
Emmie	Weston	Mr. Renoud
Addison	Brody	Mr. Steeby
Hannah	Malachi	Mrs. Pokorney
	Drew	Mrs. Corwine
	Joseph	Mrs. Beasterfeld
	Ty	Mrs. Lynch



February Parent-Teacher Conferences Ms. Minshull's Kindergarten			
Wed., Feb. 15, 2012		Thur., Feb. 16, 2012	
4:30	Joseph Stites	4:00	Lydia Harris
4:45	Ty Weekes	5:00	Hannah O'Connor
5:00	Brody Lee	5:30	Chase Douglas
5:30	Calvin Dwyer	6:15	Weston Leach
6:30	Addison Jones-Jarred	6:30	Malachi Riker
		6:45	Drew Runyon