



# Kindergarten News!

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### Reading

There are many areas that are essential to a comprehensive literacy program. In the area of reading, we focus on a wide range of practices to help students develop a relationship and understanding of the world of printed materials.

I have listed just a few elements as a starting point for you to begin to evaluate reading readiness and literacy interest of your child at home.

I encourage all families to read with each other and enjoy great literature.

Please take time to look at each of the listed reading elements and work toward having your child work toward practicing each of the goal statements.

### **GOALS**

#### **Phonics:**

I know the 40 kindergarten sounds.

#### **Phonemic awareness:**

I can rhyme words and identify words that rhyme when I hear stories. I can say all the sounds I hear in different words.

#### **Fluency:**

I can improve the rate of my responses to identifying letters and sounds when I see them.

#### **Comprehension:**

I am able to retell stories that I have heard with my family.

#### **Vocabulary:**

I ask about new words that I hear and have rich discussions with my family every day.

### Recycling

Please help Summit School with our paper recycling efforts. Students can bring their newspapers and magazines from home to recycle at school. Every classroom has a blue recycling bin to try and fill each week. The school helps the environment while earning money for special events. Thank you for your help.

### Snack

I have never seen so many healthy snacks!!! Great Job Families! The majority of snacks at snack time are fresh fruits, vegetables, or cheese. It feels good to allow kids break time during the morning for such healthy foods.

Thank You!

### Math

An individual Math Checklist will be coming home for Unit One. Please take time to look over the inventory and help your child with areas they show a need for support. This checklist is a pre-assessment and will be post tested when we complete the math unit.

### Writing

Please continue to practice legible print with your children. Use the handwriting paper and review how to use the lines.

### Community Time

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