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## Kindergarten News

### Science



We are having so much fun learning about each other. We start off in a circle and roll a ball to each other. When the ball lands at a child, that child has to name all the children in the circle and then tell us something about themselves. As the week has progressed, we have learned so many amazing facts. Purple is a favorite color amongst the children. All the kids say they love school. I have heard all about your summer vacations, etc.

Next week we will be talking about our pets. Please feel free to bring in a picture of your pet. We will discuss them together as a class.

### Reading



We had so much fun enjoying our unit on the **Gingerbread man**. I have read many different versions with the children and we have discussed the differences and similarities between the books. We also each made our own Gingerbread boys/girls. The children have told them the rules and that they are not to run away but one morning they did! We went on a quest to find our Gingees!! They had run off into the 3-year-old classroom.

WELCOME BACK EVERYONE!!! We are off to a great start. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I'm so excited to be back teaching!

### Math



We have started our math unit with number bingo! This has been a huge hit with the all the kiddos. The older children enjoy calling out the numbers and helping the Kindergarteners recognize the number that has been called out.

We are working on learning their left and right side. This is tricky, so I have been incorporating fun games to help them learn. Musical chairs has been popular. When the music stops, the children who are closest the left side of the room are eliminated or vice versa. We are learning above and below and besides too.

### General



I will be reviewing the Greek lessons with your children on a daily basis. I can only allow 15 minutes during the week to do the homework with them. If they do not finish it within that time period, it will come home with them on Friday. Please ask your child to tell you how to say good morning! We are working on the colors and also the numbers up to 10. Please practice with your child at home.

Mrs. Rock has been teaching Spalding Language Arts rules to the children on a daily basis. I, too am learning with them and it is so much fun. If you have any questions, please ask Mrs. Rock.

Please dress appropriately for chapel on Friday. We are also working on how to behave in church. We are trying to minimize our talking and maximize our listening ears. We are learning when it is appropriate to do the cross and when to sit or stand. As the year progresses, we will be pros in all these areas!