# OSLS Kindergarten News



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### This week we:

- \* learned how God blessed Abraham and Sarah. He blessed them with a new land and many descendants. Some day we are going to heaven, just as God has promised because He sent Jesus. What a great blessing for Abraham, Sarah, and us!
- \* enjoyed listening to both fiction and nonfiction books about farms.
- \* made farm sight word books to practice colors, numbers, animals, and seasons.
- · studied the American Gothic work of Grant Wood. Then they drew a farmer and his wife in front of an Iowa farmhouse. Look for these in the hall to the right of our classroom door sometime next week.
- \* learned how crops are harvested and stored.

As we near harvest time, point out combines or other farm equipment to your children as you drive by the fields. Also point out that many farms in Indiana do not have animals. We compared types of farms. They were surprised to learn that many farms in Indiana and around the nation do not have animals.

- \* played farm animal games and learned the names of mother, father, and baby animals. It was fun to play barn bingo and make our own cards. Play games like this often with your child. Help him/her to learn what it means to have 3 in a row.
- \* learned about farm products. Future farmers of America here we come!
- \* learned 3D shapes have faces and noticed other attributes about these shapes.
- \* imagined what it would be like to be a farmer and wrote stories about a farm.
- \* made another emergent book where kids cut apart sentences and put the words together. We are learning that words are separated by spaces and that words are put together in a special order to tell something. This is called a sentence. The sentence ends with a period. Discuss these things with your child. See if your child can count the number of words in a sentence. See if your child can point to show you where the first word on a page is located. Where is the last word? What direction do you go when reading. These skills are important to teach from an early age.
- \* had a wonderful time on Friday for Special Persons' Day! We were glad to see that so many of our students were able to sing "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" and share the love of Jesus together at our school. May our Shepherd lead us throughout the year and continue to bless us!

## **Upcoming Events**

Please return your child's library book each week. Thanks!

Sept. 18 Field trip to Anderson Orchard

This trip has been confirmed for Sept. 18. We will leave @8:45 and be back in time for lunch at school. Everyone that drives must have a current background check on file. Please give license and insurance information to the office at least one week before trip.

Once I confirm drivers have all necessary information on file with the office I will send an email with drivers and groups. We would like to combine cars if possible. We are blessed to have enough parent helpers and I may pair up some to help people save gas. If you have any concerns once I send out the email next week, please let me know. I hope to send out information by Wednesday. If you know you have not given car insurance and license information to the office, please do that first thing Monday morning, Sept. 11. Thanks!

Sept. 22 School Picture Day - Please return the form that was sent regarding who is coming to school to be with your child during this special afternoon.

#### Sept. 28-29 No School (Professional Conference Days for Teachers)

Mark your calendars. November 3rd is the date for the 24th Annual All Saints Fest. The All Saints Fest is the largest annual fundraiser for Our Shepherd Lutheran School. It is an evening for adults, this year to be held at the Grand Hall on High School Road. There will be fine food and fellowship, as well as silent and oral auctions. Tickets go on sale the weekend of Sept. 16 and 17. You can also get involved by donating new items to the auction that evening. Proceeds this year will be used for a much needed playground shade shelter and tuition assistance. Follow the latest updates with the All Saints' Fest planning committee through Facebook @AllSaintsFestOSL or Instagram @AllSaintsFest OSL

#### Homework

Please help your child memorize and be able to recite the verse from the Bible listed below:

Memory Work for Friday, September 15 is: "The Lord is faithful in all His words." Psalm 145:13

Books to Save: On the Farm I See Colors on the Farm \_\_\_\_\_'s Farm Seasons

I Know an Old Lady Who Swallowed a One

<u>First Trimester Words to Save:</u> me, my, go, up, the, I, a, can, red, blue, yellow, green, purple, orange, an, at, black, brown, do, gray, is, like, pink, see, this, we, white, you, on, in, <u>one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten</u> (New words are underlined.)

Put these words on flash cards for your child. Play matching games, Bingo, etc.

Please review the words listed above regularly with your child. Thanks!

I will ask your child to read these words to me for an assessment. Keep practicing regularly and have your child look for these words in other books you have at home as well. If your child is able to read these words already, encourage your child to use these words in his/her writing. See if he/she can spell them.

★ Practice left and right with your child (right hand / left hand; as well as right side of a paper, or turn

to the left, etc.) Help your child to learn that when you read, the left page always is read before the right page. See if your child can track print. Have him/her find the first word on the page, the last word, etc. How many words are in each sentence? Where is the end of the sentence? Take note of the periods, question marks, exclamation marks, etc. Watch your child track print, one word at a time – left to right, top to bottom.

#### Also, please help your child learn to put on his/her shoes and socks independently.

\* Review the letters Aa, Bb, Cc, Dd, Ee, Ff, Gg, Hh, Ii, Jj, Kk, Ll, Mm, Nn, Oo, Ss, & Tt with your child.

Help him/her to recognize them out of order. Talk about their sounds. Practice printing them.