

ACE JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN

WELCOME

As the saying goes, "April showers bring May flowers" and the JK children are in full bloom! Our goal for the year has primarily been to prepare each child for the academic demands of SK. To date, it has been AMAZING to watch their progression. Be proud of them! They have worked so hard and will continue to do so. After all, we still have six weeks of school left and still new things to learn!!!

MAY EVENTS

May 1: Chick-fil-a Spirit Night, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

May 6: Global 6K for Water, 9:00 a.m.

May 12: Interims Go Home

May 16: Open House for Non-registered Families, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

May 19: ACE Family Movie Night

May 22-26: ACE Fitness Challenge & ACE Art Fair - All are welcome!

May 29: Memorial Day - **NO SCHOOL**

May 31: Casual Day (*students may wear modest casual clothing*)

June 2: Camp T-Shirt Day (*students may wear their uniforms or ACE Summer Camp shirts to school*)

June 5-9: Last full week of school

June 7: Toddler, Preschool, Junior and Senior Kindergarten Spring Programs

June 8: First, Second, Third, Fourth Grade Spring Programs

June 12: Used Uniform Sale

June 12-13: Casual Days (*students may wear modest casual clothing*)

PENMANSHIP

Students will continue to practice lowercase letter and number formation and letter connection, writing three letter words. We will also learn letter formation for uppercase G and H.

BIBLE

We will review the following verses for May:

- "All Things were made by Him." John 1:3
- "I am fearfully and wonderfully made." Psalm 139:14
- "As for God, His way is perfect." Psalm 18:30
- "The Lord is my shepherd." Psalm 23:1

We will be reviewing Bible stories we learned throughout the year

HOMEWORK

READING: Our focus continues to be on reading with expression and smoothness as well as comprehension. Please repeat books when requested, continue to mark vowels/special sounds and review phonics charts daily!

MATH: Please have your child review the Addition flash-cards 1-10 family. Practice the same family a few minutes every evening, making sure your child knows the math fact before moving on to the next math family.

TECHNOLOGY: Practice typing first name and highlighting text.



LETTERS / PHONICS

- Review short/long vowel, consonant sounds and special sounds
- Rhyming words
- Spelling
- Introduce new special sounds **ow** in **bowl**, **er** in **verse**, **ir** in **bird**, **ur** in **nurse**, **wor** in **worm**, **igh** in **night** and **oo** in **book**.
- Reading words with special sounds
- Speed reading
- Learning new vocabulary

MATH

Students will work on:

- Counting 1-100
- Reviewing coins
- Reviewing time
- Reviewing one inch
- Reviewing graphs
- Reviewing addition
- Reviewing before and after numbers
- Spelling number names
- Word problems
- Counting by 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's
- Subtraction
- New pattern
- Mental math

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Mrs. Bingham:

<https://www.google.com/calendar/ical/mrsgazes%40myschoolace.com/public/basic.ics>

Mrs. Alvarado:

<https://www.google.com/calendar/ical/mrsalvarado%40myschoolace.com/public/basic.ics>

TECHNOLOGY



This April, Students loved finding their homes and traveling the world with Google Earth in Technology classes. Learning about 360 images and using Google Cardboard Glasses caused quite a few “oohhs ahhs”

To see the dinosaurs or some of the other 3D games you will need:

- An ipod touch or iphone
- Google Cardboard Glasses
- Download the Google Cardboard Glasses app

In May, Junior Kindergarten students will be putting together concepts covered throughout the year with Osmos coding, Bee Bots, Coding.org, the continuation of word processing and an intro to graphics.



MUSIC

Did you know...?

Music builds imagination and intellectual curiosity: Introducing music in the early childhood years can help foster a positive attitude toward learning and curiosity. Artistic education develops the whole brain and develops a child’s imagination.

Cited from:
<http://www.nafme.org/20-important-benefits-of-music-in-our-schools/>

This last month of school, students will work on refining their musical skills they have learned this year to perform their Spring Program.

Junior Kindergarten’s program will be Wednesday, June 7, 2017. Mark your calendars!

Please remember, the Spring Program is a mandatory part of your student’s grade counting as a test grade. If your student cannot make it to the program for any reason, please let Mrs. Becker know as soon as possible.

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Thank you for sharing your students with me this year! It has been a privilege to teach and explore music with them. Have a fun and blessed summer!

ART

*“I feel there is nothing more artistic than loving people.”
~ Van Gogh*

This month the children will continue to learn more about Auguste Rodin and his sculpture.

The children will do a collaborative painting of Mondrian’s Primary Colors and Picasso’s “Flowers in Hand.”

All students continue to work on their art for the school hallways! All of the work is fabulous!

Please stop by the ART FAIR the week of May 22nd so you and your guests can see the children’s hard work and art pieces from the entire school year!



PE

Students will learn:

- Stretching/Warm-ups
- Listening Skills
- Collaboratively working together in teams doing relay races
- Learning different types of relay races