

# Kindergarten Newsletter

News and events from rooms 1, 2, and 6

August 31<sup>st</sup> - September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009

## In Class

### Math

We are continuing to assess students. We will be discussing attributes of shapes: rectangle, square, triangle, and circle. We will continue to do counting, learning to tally during calendar activities, and exploring our math manipulatives.

### Language Arts

We will continue to read books and stories from our reading series: Nursery Rhymes. We also will be acting out stories in oral language. We are continuing to preview the alphabet.

### Social Science

We are continuing the "Getting Along" unit, which concentrates on rules, good citizens, and characters, real or fantasy. We will be talking about being special and being a good citizen. Parents will have an opportunity to write what makes their child special.

### Art

Cutting, painting, Monart (Monart is the step by-step directed drawing technique in which children follow oral and visual directions.)

### Music

Patriotic songs and songs from the music series and nursery rhymes

## Important Notes

\*Our classes will check out books at the library for the first time this week. The children have the privilege to check out one book and bring it home to share with you. Room 6 goes to library on Tuesday, Room 2 is going on Wednesday, and Room 1 is going on Thursday. We ask that the books come back to school at the beginning of the week.

\*Please remember to log the books you are reading to your child on the September Read Aloud form. You will turn the log in at the beginning of the next month throughout the year.

\*This Thursday is picture day for grades K-3. We will take class pictures and individual pictures. No money is needed for pictures at this time.

\*Please remember to buy your raffle tickets and help support all the special programs at Helmers.

\*Thank you for the many generous donations you are sending to our classrooms. They are greatly appreciated.

**\*For our projects in the computer lab, we need printer cartridges. We need black(TO601), cyan(TO602), magenta(TO603), and yellow(TO604) for an Epson Stylus C88+.**

\* We are still collecting crafting donations. Please make checks payable to SUSD for \$12.

\*All classes need printer cartridges for their classroom printers. Room 2 needs: HP 74 and HP 75 along with the Epson Stylus numbers from the computer lab. Room 1 and 6 both need: HP-17 and HP-15. Thank you!

## Important Dates

**\*\*Thursday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>:** School Picture Day, K-3

**\*\*Monday, September 7<sup>th</sup>:** Labor Day, no school.

**\*\*Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>:** Patriot Day-please wear red, white, and blue.

**\*\*Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>:** Minimum Day for collegial planning. All students will attend 7:55-11:20.

**\*\*September 23-25:** Parent Conferences- Wednesday and Friday are minimum days and Thursday is no school for students