

ECP School Family Weekly Update

Ms. Dorothy's AM and PM Classes

Week of March 2-6, 2020

March kicks off Reading Month!

Reminder: There is no school this Wednesday March 4, 2020 (Barnes Staff PLC Day).

March Star of the Day and Event Calendars were distributed to all students last week.

The March Calendar is also on the back of this sheet and is posted on Ms. Dorothy's website.

**Please be on the lookout for the Book Share Plastic Pocket. Enjoy your turn with our featured book selection!

Highlights from the past week:

Letter of the Week: "A" Orthographic Formation "Letter A uses two big lines. They are called diagonals. Start at the top. Big line slides down. Jump back to the top. Big line slides down. Little line across." Sound: "Ahh" as in "apple," "ant" and "Annie." We talked about the alphabet.

Featured Book(s) of the Week: We revisted the book, <u>Chicka, Chicka Boom, Boom</u> by Bill Martin Jr. The afternoon class also enjoyed <u>Tomorrow's Alphabet</u> by George Shannon. This is a fun alphabet book that really exercises "thinking" skills.

Special Concept: (Black history Month) We talked about how February is a special Month when we celebrate and learn about famous African Americans and their contributions to our country. Famous people we learned and talked about were Former President Barack Obama, Tennis Champion Serena Williams and Poet/ Author Maya Angelou.

Ms Vicki's Art Table: We made a fun "Red Fish Blue Fish" Fish Bowl in honor of Dr Seuss' birthday (today March 2).

Other News: PLEASE SEE MONTHLY CALENDAR/STAR SCHEDULE on the back

**Children entering Kindergarten or Young 5s in the fall are required to have a vision screening & up-to-date immunizations. Parents can have these completed at their pediatrician's office, or at the Wayne Co. Health Dept. HearingAndVisionProgram@waynecounty.com or call 734-727-7136.

School Wellness Refresher: Now that we're in the winter season, please remember the Barnes School Health Policy. Please know that students need to be healthy in order to optimally function in the school setting, in terms of their learning, socialization and behavior! Germs can travel quickly and please know that some students have compromised immune systems. Fevers of 100 degrees or higher, diarrhea, excessive oral/nasal congestion, unexplanined rashes, discharge from the eyes, ears or other body parts are all reasons for students to rest their bodies at home in order for a healthy successful recuperation to take place. In the cases of a fever (as fevers can indicate serious medical conditions): a child must be fully recovered before returning to the demands of learning in the school setting; therefore, a child must have gone 24 hours with no fever or symptoms (or medications that temporarily dampen fevers.) **** Please See Handouts on Ms. Dorothy's Hallway Board**

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