



December 6, 2019

Dear Kindergarten Parents,

Greetings! This week the Land of the Letter People sent to our classroom our 17th Letter Person. We met Mr. G who likes gooey gum. We have learned that there are special things we need to remember when chewing gum--mostly how and where to dispose of gooey gum. We have read the books entitled *Gubble Bubble*, *Get Out of Bed*, *Guess Who?*, *Good Night Gorilla* and *Guess What?*. Did you know that "graphing" starts with the letter of the week? On Tuesday we learned more about graphing and we each created our own graph by sorting, counting, coloring and comparing Froot Loop colors. Not only have we been working on the letter Gg but we have also been learning about blends. We have reviewed all the letters we have learned so far this year and we have taken two letters and made one sound for them called blends. We have worked with pl, pr, fl, fr, gl, gr, bl, br, sw, st, cl, cr and many more for consonant blends in the initial position. We have also worked on blends for the final position in words such as -nd, -nk, -ng, -ld, -sk, -lk and more. Our class is getting really good using their phonics skills and sounding out words. We have worked through lots and lots of phonics skills together this week using these blends. As I look back on the week, I can say that a "grand" time was had by all! Please continue to practice looking for Gg's, writing Gg's and listening for the /g/ sound, as well as, letter blends.

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In math class this week we focused on problem solving addition word problems by adding to, putting together and modeling with pictures. We also used patterns to develop fluency in addition. Please continue to work on these skills at home. We ended our week with a review and topic six assessment. Thanks for helping your child with these important math skills!

Earlier this week I sent a note home with your child about the person he/she drew for the gift exchange. Please make sure you see that message and help your child take care of this fun activity! Happy shopping!

DATES AHEAD:

Tuesday, December 10.....Mrs. Newton's Guidance Lesson on Kindness
Wednesday, December 11.....Field Trip to the Children's Museum in Indianapolis to see "The Magical Snowman" and enjoy the museum
Wednesday, December 19.....CES Christmas Program at South Putnam High School 7:00
Friday, December 20.....Class Christmas Party and Gift Exchange
Monday, December 23 – Friday, January 3Christmas Break NO SCHOOL
Monday, January 6, 2020.....School resumes for second semester

Everyone have a glorious weekend!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Rissler ☺

