



Viera Children's
Academy

January 2021



VPK Newsletter

Another month has come and gone. This year is flying by. Can you believe that it is 2021?

This month we will be starting our red Phonics Books with those that know all letters and letter sounds. A letter will be sent home to let you know all about it. Written spelling review will also begin this month. You can find the spelling words on the homework sheet. Written reviews will be given on Thursday.

Last month we talked about Music, Music, Music and the kids made different types of instruments and listened to different types of music. They listened to jazz, classical, children's hip hop, and pop. The children really enjoyed the jazz music.

Another theme we discussed was Holidays around the World. We talked about Hanukkah, Christmas in England, The Legend of the Poinsettia, and Kwanzaa. The children learned how different cultures celebrate the holidays. They also created passports and traveled to the different countries. A few of the trips were bumpy rides due to turbulence.

Lastly our theme was Christmas. The children made Christmas ornaments that smelled amazing, decorated gingerbread men, made a Christmas light card, a Christmas tree and much more. They had such a festive time!

Remember if you have any questions, concerns, or comments please feel free to contact us by phone here at the school or by email. You can email us at:

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Your Partner in Education,
VPK Team

Covid-19 Precautions

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic that our country is facing, we have adapted in procedures to slow the spread of the corona virus.

- Curbside Pickup and Dropoff
- Temperature Check Stations
- Masks must be worn by parents
- Masks worn by all staff members
- Intensified cleaning procedures
- Set playground time to allow for adequate cleaning
- Social distancing
- Protective Counter Screen Guard
- Updated Policy and Waiver form to be signed by Parents before child's arrival to school.

In order to keep VCA safely opened; we need the full support and cooperation of all our families to effectively limit the potential transmission of the COVID-19 virus among our staff, students, and the local community.

Upcoming Theme

Week of 1/4: Manners and Respect, Character Building/ Stone Soup
Week of 1/11: Martin Luther King Jr.
Week of 11/18: All About Space
Week of 11/25: Transportation (air and Rail)

Parent Corner

Use numbers and number-words, point out numbers and involve your child in counting activities as you go through your day, e.g. have your child set the table. Measure and weigh ingredients and objects and compare with other objects. Are they light or heavy, bigger and smaller, tall or short etc.

Read books, tell stories, sing songs, do puzzles and recite poems that include numbers and counting. Play simple board games that call on players to count spaces on the board, objects used in the game, and to recognize printed numerals or their representation (such as “dots on dice”).

Cooking News

We will have cooking/science projects once a week. This will not be possible without parental help. A class Wish List will be emailed to you through a Sign-Up Genie link. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

JUST A REMINDER

We hope everyone enjoyed the Holiday Break. Now it is time to get back into the swing of things. Please make sure that your child is on time to school every day so that you are not disrupting the learning of the other children. Please label everything that your child brings to school; lunch box, water bottle, jacket, etc. with first and last name. Please make sure that you are reviewing at home with the children what is taught throughout the day. If you look on the homework you can see the theme, number, letter, concept and sight words for the week. Please review these with your child and ask what they learned in school. We need your help in making this a successful VPK year.

Upcoming Events

- 1/1: New Year's Day: VCA Closed
- 1/4: VPK Classes Resume
- 1/18: MLK Day: VCA Closed