

Kindergarten Overview

HOURS: A.M. 7:40 - 11:10 Mrs. Crippen
P.M. 11:11 - 2:41 Mrs. Nyquist

ATTENDANCE: If your child is absent, please send a note or call the office. Attendance is important to maximize your child's daily learning experience. Please try to make appointments before or after school hours and plan vacations while we are off track. Independent study contracts can be obtained in the office if your child is absent 5 or more days.

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HEALTH & SNACK: Please make sure your child gets plenty of rest each night. Send healthy snacks each day. Milk cards are \$10.00 for 20 milks or 50 cents per day. Chocolate milk will be available on Tuesdays.

VOLUNTEERS: ***CENTERS: (A.M.) 8:00-9:30***
(P.M.) 11:50-1:15

- Classroom helpers need to be fingerprinted in the Buckeye School District, (K-8).
- Pick up a fingerprinting form in the office.
- Return all copies to the Oak Meadow office.
- **Volunteers must sign in at the office before coming to the classroom.**
- **Volunteer badges need to be worn when on campus.**

Parents will be teaching/working with children at a station each day. It is very important for you to be here. If you cannot come in on your assigned day and time, please call another parent in the class to replace you. We thank you for your support; our program depends on you. There will be a "prep" workbox in the classroom with instructions of what to do if you are not immediately working with children.

FRIDAY FOLDER: Communication will be done through the Friday folder. The folder needs to be returned with your child's homework on Thursday. School bulletins, PTA news, upcoming events, class newsletters, and your child's work will be included in the Friday folder.

HOMEWORK: HOMEWORK will be handed out on FRIDAY and due back Thursday. Each child will have a "HOMEWORK FOLDER" sent home in the **FRIDAY FOLDER**. This will be a weekly reinforcement of the skills we have already covered. Your child may need some assistance, but as time passes they should be able to do it on their own.

- Children need to use a pencil to write.
- We are emphasizing neatness and accuracy.
- Make sure they are holding their pencil correctly, work in a quiet environment, and have access to necessary materials.
- Homework is mandatory, not optional. Please help your children establish good homework habits.

In addition to regular homework, 20 minutes of reading is required each night to build the love of reading, comprehension

and vocabulary. Each month you will receive a read-aloud sheet for recording all the books that have been read, a math calendar, and calendar of ideas.

SIGHT WORDS: There are 25 sight words (on card stock in packet). Grade level standard at the end of the year is 20/25.

I CAN READ PROGRAM: Your child will bring home, in a ziplock bag, 1-2 books to read by a parent and/or child; please find a quiet place to sit alone with your child to listen to them read or read to them each day. **Return the books in the ziplock bag each Thursday with your child's homework.**

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES: Will be scheduled in November, and in February (as needed).

REPORT CARDS: These are sent home three times per year.

- **TO ACCESS THE CONTENT STANDARDS FOR YOUR GRADE LEVEL, PLEASE VISIT THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S WEBSITE AT:**
<http://www.cde.ca.gov/be/st/ss/>

SPECIAL DAYS

- **Library:** Books will remain in the classroom.
- **Computers:** This will begin later in the trimester.
- **V.I.P.:** Each child will be the "V.I.P." of the week. More information will follow when it is your child's "V.I.P." week.
- **Vision and Hearing Tests:** These are routinely done at school and you will be notified of any abnormal results.
- **Picture Day:**

- **Field Trips:** We are currently planning these events.
- **Birthdays:** You may send in birthday treats, but please no peanut products or large store bought cupcakes. Please make arrangements in advance with your child's teacher.

SUPPLIES: Thank you for your support! **You can adopt a class which is tax deductible, and the proceeds are used for our kindergarten program.** We have a wish list if you would like to continue to help support the kindergarten program located in our pocket chart. Glue sticks are always needed. Xerox paper and HP print cartridges #96 & 97 are also an added bonus.

TOYS: No toys are allowed at school. When your child is V.I.P. they will have a chance to bring in something special to share.

WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN!!