

Sunday Shark Update 1.5.25

Happy New Year Shark families! Welcome to 2025 and the third quarter of your child's kindergarten year! I just can't believe how fast this year is going by! Below is what we have coming up this week! Remember that the School Calendar was adjusted due to the hurricanes and we will welcome students back tomorrow!

Quarter Two Report Cards

Report Cards for quarter two will be available in your parent focus account on Wednesday, Jan. 8th.

Data Folders

Along with report cards being available, data folders will be coming home soon. You will be able to view your child's progress on kindergarten skills. This folder gives you great insight into the skills your child is mastering. Please reach out if you have any questions!

ZooTampa Field Trip

Field trip payments AND all forms are due January 15th. Please let me know if you need any additional forms.

Here is the link to pay online: <https://manateeschools.revtrak.net/elementary-schools/harvey-elementary/#/f/harvey-es-kindergarten-zoo-tampa-field-trip-february-6-2024>

We do not limit the number of chaperones for this trip! We hope you can join us! Please read through the chaperone information carefully as it has changed from previous years.

No School on Jan. 20th

This is in Observance of MLK Jr. Day.

100th Day of School!

The 100th Day is approaching quickly on Feb. 3rd! This is a special day in kindergarten, and we will be celebrating by doing everything 100! Stay tuned for a SignUpGenius to volunteer and donate.

Mystery Reader

A Mystery Reader is a surprise reader that comes to our class on a day that fits your schedule! You choose a children's book to read to the class and plan a craft/activity that goes along with the book! I am happy to help you! You will be responsible for planning the book, craft, and materials for 19 students. However, I have LOTS of materials so before you purchase anything, reach out to see if I have what you need. I will be there to help the whole time and will help facilitate. Sign up for a month and let me know a day that works for you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4FACA92AAAF4C34-52301403-mystery>

Classroom Volunteers

If you are available to volunteer for our classroom, either in person in our classroom or helping from your home, please sign up below! I will be in contact to see how you would like to volunteer!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4FACA92AAAF4C34-52304266-volunteers>

Classroom Website

All important links, documents, information, etc. can be found on my classroom website! Please let this be your first go to for information! Bookmark it on your phone!

www.mrbteaches.com

Class Snack Amazon Wishlist Link

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/25TYVOSAEIAV8?ref=wl_share

Parent Report Card Guide

https://www.manateeschools.net/cms/lib/FL02202357/Centricity/Domain/1130/Kinder_Parent_Guide_2023-2024.pdf

Dismissal

Reminder that Dismissal changes are due in PMK by 2:15 PM!

Important Dates:

*1/6-Students Return

*1/15- LAST FIELD TRIP PAYMENT and FORMS DUE

*1/20- No School-MLK Day

*2/3-100th Day

Academics for this Week

Phonics & Handwriting

We are going to start word families this week as well, our first one will be the “at” word family. I will send home a list of words as a guide to practice. We will use the words throughout the week during reading and writing. The goal is to know the word family and listen for the beginning sound to build the word. If we can spell “cat”, then we can spell “hat” by changing the beginning sound

Red Words (high frequency words)

Help- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-YgoJ8fKXxk>

her- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oNw3QVbEQQE>

Reading Workshop/Guided Reading

Our stories for the week will be a mixture of fiction and non-fiction books about technology. We will use the skills we have learned to look for the main topic and key details and retelling the stories.

Writing

We are learning what writers do! Writers:

1. Think
2. Draw
3. Label
4. Write

We are now learning that writers write sentences! Writers write sentences by:

- Sound out words by saying them slow like a turtle. Then write the sounds they hear.
- Put a finger space between each word
- Begin the sentence with an uppercase letter and end it with a period.

We will start the week with a personal narrative about our time at home. We will brainstorm goals and resolutions we want to set for the rest of the year. We will finish the week with writing about technology (referring to what we read during our reading block)

Math

The first few weeks of January will be spent learning Subtraction. We will refer to Linus the Minus to help us remember how to subtract. Your child will be able to-

- Subtract (take away) using pictures, fingers, or drawings
- Write and read subtractions number sentences with numbers, drawings, and pictures.

Science

In Science, we will explore living and non-living things.

Social Studies

We will use this time to review our classroom and school expectations for the rest of the school year. We will then begin to look at US Symbols.

Sunday Call-out from Administration

Good evening, Harvey Elementary families,

I hope this message finds everyone well and that some fun memories were made with family and friends over our winter break. We are ready to get back into our school routine and look forward to seeing our Sharks tomorrow, Monday, January 6th. Remember that the school district's calendar was adjusted to account for lost instructional days due to the hurricanes, so we're welcoming students back one day earlier than what was originally planned.

We wrapped up our 2nd quarter prior to our winter break. Report cards will be available for parents to

view through their Focus parent portal this Wednesday, January 8th. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your child's teacher.

We will be glad to have our Sharks back on campus tomorrow and hear about their recent adventures! Thank you and enjoy the rest of your evening.