

Monday Shark Update 2.17.25

Happy President's Day Sharks. I hope you can do something enjoyable today with your Shark. Mr. Jeramiah and I enjoyed a beach day on Saturday and have spent the weekend catching up with friends!

We are VERY low on class snack! If your child participated in class snack, please make sure you have donated for Feb. The Amazon Wishlist is a bit further down in this update.

****Save the Date**** Our Kindergarten Graduation will be on Thursday, May 15th at 9:00 AM. Doors will open at 8:55. More information will be coming soon!

Reminder! Calendars are now in the BACK of your child's Communication Folder. Please remember to check both sides of the folder daily and initial the calendar. Thank you!

Reading Folders!

We are excited to introduce you to your child's **Reading Folder!** Check out the video and informational sheet below, Reading Folders will come home for the first time tomorrow!

<https://youtu.be/9nUBPC0lYwQ>

What is a **Reading Folder**?


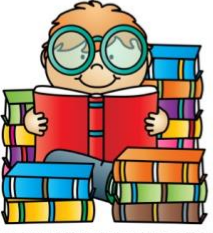
Your child's Reading Folder is a folder with a book bag in it. They will bring it back and forth to school everyday. Your child's reading folder is a great way to help your child practice red words, consonant-vowel-consonant words, and become a reader!

What Is Inside Your Child's **Reading Folder**?

Your child's folder will have poems, songs, and stories! Each story on paper has been read with your child while we practice a red word and consonant-vowel-consonant words. Your child will also choose 4-5 "just right books" (books at their level) from our classroom library. Your child should be able to read most stories independently most of the time. It is okay if they need a bit of help!

How do I help my child with the **Reading Folder**?

- Take time to encourage and listen to your child read.
- Ask them to show you the title, front cover, back cover, title page, author, and illustrator.
 - If we have highlighted or practiced specific words, ask them to read and sound those words out for you.
 - Ask your child to retell the story or give you the topic and key details/facts. Some stories might not have a lot to them. That is okay! Use the 5 finger retell for fiction and the ice cream cone for non-fiction on the back of this page.
 - Last, have fun!

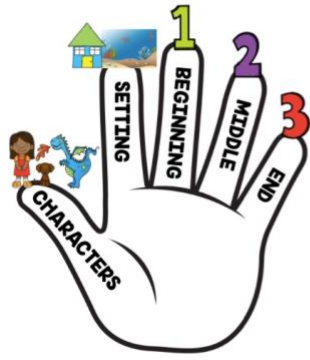
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Help Your Reader At Home

- Make time to encourage reading. Make it a positive time together.
- Ask about the cover of the book. Prompt for predictions of what it will be about.
- Encourage connections throughout the book. For example, does any part of the story remind them of another book, an event in their life, or something in the world around them?
- When they come to a word they are not sure of, encourage them to try to **sound it out**. Give enough time to think about what it could be **BEFORE** just telling them.
- Revisit the same book again and again! Repeated reading helps build reading fluency.
- After reading, use what you see below to help guide a discussion about the book with your reader.

FICTION

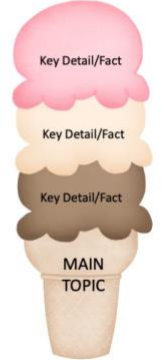
Books or stories that is made up or fake.



Remember they should be the one reading to you, with just a little support from you sprinkled in!

NON-FICTION

Reading material that provides true information for the reader.



Class Picture Day

Class picture day will be this Wednesday, Feb. 19th. This day is a regular uniform day. Please see the flyer that came home last week or the pictures below for ordering information!

GROUP PICTURES

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PICTURE DAY: Wed, Feb 19, 2025
(10:30 to 12:00)

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ACCESS CODE: G670411

Packages

1 - 6x10 Class Group with Border / 1 - 6x10 Foto de grupo con Borde	\$15.00
2 - 6x10 Class Group with Border with Protective Coating / 2 - 6x10 Foto de grupo con Borde con capa protectora para proteger las fotos con Borde	\$18.00

Parents, please note the products from Leonard's are sold for retail only. No returns, exchanges, refunds, credits or other items. A portion of these proceeds benefit your child's school. Please pay here, today or online, to the person(s) who have the products and return the receipt to the school.

MEMORIES ARE MADE EVERY DAY... WE CAPTURE THEM!

Transformation! SHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH!

Our rescheduled Transformation is approaching quickly and we need your help! If you are able to volunteer your time and/or make decorations, check out the SignUpGenius below! Thank you for your help!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4FA8AD23A2FBC43-55090112-transformation#/>

Uniform Policy

Please be sure that you are aware of our uniform policy that can be found on our school website under the “parents and students” tab. As we have entered this last half of our school year, we are seeing students getting lax about following our policy. If students are not in uniform, and do not have a NUT Day pass, they may be asked to change clothes. We have a uniform closet with gently used uniform items for any family who may need it. Please inquire at our front office if your child needs additional uniform compliant clothing.

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 Website

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:

- *2/19-Class Picture Day- Regular Uniform Day
- *2/28- Transformation Set Up- See SignUpGenius above
- *3/1- Transformation Set Up- See SignUpGenius above

Academics for this Week

Phonics & Handwriting

This week we are learning how to sound out CVC (consonant-vowel-consonant) words as well as build these words! We are learning how to identify the beginning, middle, and ending sounds!

Red Words (high frequency words)

we- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dj9Lnp2S7z8>

me- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hCphZr-iwSk>

be- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K-5MPsHlTbg>

he- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j01nQTtQSOE>

Reading Workshop/Guided Reading

We are almost done with your Zoo Animal Books! After, we will read a variety of fiction stories. Students will work on their 5-finger retelling strategy, which includes identifying characters, setting, beginning, middle, and end of the story.

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 continue our Zoo Animal informational books and get them done this week! This is one of my favorite units! We will learn about animals we will see at the zoo and then write about the animal. This unit will take us a few weeks, I will send home their books once they are done!

Math

We have begun working with teen numbers. Our focus has been on understanding teen numbers as combinations of tens and ones, as well as practicing number writing. Additionally, we are developing counting skills, including counting to 100 by ones and tens.

For the 3rd quarter, our goals include:

- Counting to 100 by ones and tens
- Counting backwards from 20
- Counting forward from any given number up to 100

These skills can be easily practiced during daily activities, such as car rides or bath time. For additional support, Jack Hartmann offers educational counting songs on YouTube that make learning fun and engaging.

Science

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

Social Studies

In Social Studies we will begin learning how to use positional words to tell the location of objects and things as well as exploring maps and cardinal directions.

Sunday Call-out from Administration

Good evening, Harvey Shark families,

Hopefully, you are having a wonderful weekend! Please remember that the weekend is extended because there is no school tomorrow, Monday, February 17th, in observance of Presidents Day. We look forward to welcoming our students back on campus on Tuesday morning.

This Wednesday, February 19th, is class picture day. This will be a typical uniform day for students. If you are interested in purchasing class pictures, please see the order forms that were sent home last week.

Next, on Thursday, February 20th, we have our PTO and SAC meetings in the media center. Our meetings begin at 6pm and start with our PTO which is followed by our SAC meeting. Childcare is provided. We hope you can join us and hear about all that is happening at Harvey.

Lastly, if your child is dropped off at school as a car rider in the morning, please be sure that you are using the car rider lane and dropping off in the proper unloading area. We realize that sometimes families are in a rush and do not want to wait in the line, but the drop off process moves fairly quickly when everyone follows the procedures. Most importantly, utilizing the correct drop off area through the car rider lane helps ensure the safety of our children.

Thank you and enjoy the extra day with your family tomorrow!