

Duck Room News



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Name tags should now be secured to backpacks. The children are doing a wonderful job of knowing where to go at the end of the day, even if there is a change to their normal routine. Please remember to pin a note to your child/backpack if there is a change to their normal end of the day routine. It is also a good idea to pin important info, like lunch money or forms for the office to your child's backpack as well. I don't go through backpacks daily. I want the children to be independent and responsible for taking care of their things (Friday folders, library books, etc.)



We started our writing work during Writer's Workshop this week. We have a wide range of writing abilities in our class. Some are telling stories with pictures while others are adding sounds and labels. We even have some using complete sentences to share what they know! All is appropriate and expected! But, before young children can write, they need to be able to **TELL** their stories. We've been taking time to tell our stories over our fingers, in order to include lots of details. Please take time to have your child practice telling about what's going on in his/her life! Playdates, soccer games, family excursions are great topics to talk and write about!!

This week we met Mr. Mm with a munchie mouth. The children colored Mr. M, listed Mm words, practiced printing M, read and colored and M book, and made M with mini-marshmallows. Please reinforce the Mm sound and recognition at home.

The first of many emergent readers, My M Book, came home this week. These books are "just right" for many kindergarten readers. Find a special place to keep these books so your child can practice reading "just right books" at home!

Starting next week I will be sending newsletters home via email. If you don't get a newsletter, please email me so I can make sure your email is correct in my contact list. Also, if you would prefer a hard copy, just let me know!

REMINDERS

Please send a **family photo** (if you haven't already) for our family tree!