

Kindergarten Korner October 2023

Dates to Know:

Sept. 29, FRI.	Wear Wasatch shirt or school colors (red/yellow)
Oct. 2, MON.	Crazy Sock Day
Oct. 3, TUE.	Dress like an old person
Oct. 4, WED.	Best dress - fancy clothes
Oct. 5, THUR.	Wear red, white, blue
Oct. 6, FRI.	Hat Day
	Wasatch Fall Festival 4-7pm (You won't want to miss this!)
Oct. 18, WED.	End of Term I
Oct. 19-24	NO SCHOOL - FALL BREAK & Teacher professional development day
Oct. 25, WED.	Class field trip to Jaker's Jack O' Lanterns 9:00-11:45am
Oct. 26, THUR.	Picture Retake Day
Oct. 31, TUE.	Halloween & class parties

Looking ahead: Nov. 1-3 Early Release schedule due to SEP Conferences
Half Day Kinder Release at 11:45am ALL Day Kinder 8:40am-1:30pm
Standards Reports ("Report cards" will be given at SEP Conferences)

Field Trip to Jaker's Jack O'Lanterns

Yay! All students will come to school and be picked up at their regular class times. If you'd like to come as a chaperone, please read the additional "Chaperones" attachment.

Utah public school education budgets are very tight this year. Thank you for your \$25 class donations. These donations are helpful and can be made anytime during the school year. We are asking for an optional donation of \$6.50 to cover the cost of the field trip. You may take this donation to the office or send it to school with your child. As always, everyone will be able to attend the field trip regardless of donations.

Halloween

Please send your student already in his/her costume. Guidelines outline no masks, and no fake weapons or blood. Parties will be in the morning to include Half Day students. There will be a school-wide parade that parents are invited to attend. Watch the Weekly Wasatch newsletter for the parade time.

Weather/Coats

As per district and school policy, all students are required to go outside for recess every day, with these exceptions only: poor air quality, below 20 degrees, active rain/snowfall. Send your student prepared for the cold every day! Please put a label in all of your student's coats and jackets. It can be just a last name or even a piece of tape. ☺

Student safety & happiness

Your children have been wonderful! It's delightful to watch them come together as a class family. If there is hitting or other inappropriate physical behavior, teachers and aides must take action so that everyone will feel comfortable at school.

Here are the action steps consistently followed in all kindergarten classrooms~

1-Verbal warning, 2-Teacher contacts parents, 3-Teacher contacts parents,
4-Behavior supervisor contacts parents, 5-Meeting with parents and administration

Private Class Instagrams Miss George: George_kinder2023 Mrs. Payne: payne_kinder2023

Art Contests (optional)

Your student is invited to enter three fabulous art contests~

<https://wasatch.provo.edu/art-expressions-2023/>

<https://wasatch.provo.edu/springville-museum-of-art-annual-art-contest/>

<https://provo.edu/es/student-art-contest-find-your-swing-enamel-pin/>

Scholastic Book Orders (optional)

Deadline for this month is Oct. 28. To order, go to <https://clubs.scholastic.com>

Class codes: Nuttall - Z4KWR Payne - TRDQP

Goals & Incentives (review from Family Guide)

The last week of each month, we have "Check-ins." Teachers/Aides meet with individual students to see where they are with the following goals. If they are having trouble, we do additional practice at school, and ask for help at home to meet their goals. **All successes are celebrated. Students are encouraged to go at the pace that's right for them.**

The ABC Club is an incentive for students to fluently name all letter names and sounds. (Fluency is within 3 seconds per letter.) Students will earn a special book, a cheer, and certificate when the goal is met!

The 100 Club is an incentive for students to count to 100.
Students will earn a 100 Grand bar and certificate, and a cheer.

The Cookie Club is an incentive for students to keep up with the high frequency word goals. Each month the Kindergarten Korner newsletter publishes the words we will be working on for that month. (Fluency is within 3 seconds per word).

Each student begins with a special "cookie jar" to keep at school all year. Each month the student increases the number of words read from the previous month, a felt cookie is added to the jar. At the end of their kindergarten year, they will take home their full cookie jar as a memory of what they've worked hard to achieve this year. This is a fun incentive for students to learn their high frequency words, and for teachers and parents to help their students succeed!

Homework for all Kindergarteners

4 days per week~

READ to your child and/or listen to your child read to you. (10-15 min)

Baggie Books can be used, but other books are fine too.

HALF DAY HOMEWORK ALSO INCLUDES~

DAILY PRACTICE FOLDER using the folder in their red home study bag. (5 min)

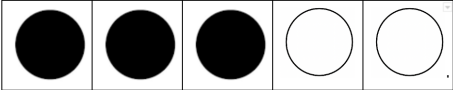
First sound practice instructions <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ALSQzDiUUp8>

Letter naming practice instructions <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5wW1XXy4Jhk>

Do not begin "word chunks" practice yet.

WRITING HOMEWORK PAGE 2 sentences per day. (10-15 min)

Return your completed writing homework paper on Fridays.

October	
Social Studies Standards: Demonstrate appropriate ways to behave in different settings. Demonstrate positive relationships through play and friendship	
High Frequency Words	Focus letters & sounds
like, to, and	Dd, Gg, Mm, Ss, Ii, Bb, Hh
Review: I, can, the, we, see, a	Review: Pp Tt Nn Aa
Optional Bonus Words saw, be, black, brown, blue, yellow	<i>For students who can already identify these letter names and sounds, their focus will be reading words with these letters, generating their own words with these letters, and writing these letters correctly on the dotted lines.</i>
Math	
I can show/represent addition and subtraction stories with objects (up to 5). I can show/represent addition and subtraction stories with drawings (up to 5). I can show/represent addition and subtraction stories with "5 frames."	
	
I can read "5 frames."	
I can represent addition and subtraction with written equations (up to 5)	